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CDC also made the vaccine recommendations simpler for everyone else. Everyone six and older should get one shot of the updated vaccine even if you have never had a COVID-19 shot before.

## Not Sure If You Need One?

- No matter how old you are, if you have never received a COVID-19 shot you only need one updated dose.
- If you are 65 and older OR if you have a weakened immune system AND you have not had an updated dose in a while, it may be a good idea to get an extra dose of the updated shot.
- Talk to your healthcare provider or pharmacist to decide whether the COVID-19 updated shot is right for you.

The CDC recommends staying up to date on your COVID-19 Shot! Visit <u>CDC's</u> <u>website</u> for more information.





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