What do I need to know about booster shots?

The COVID-19 vaccines have been protecting people from severe illness and death from COVID-19. But with the Delta variant of COVID-19 spreading, those who are eligible should now get an additional booster shot of COVID-19 vaccine for the most protection. Boosters are safe, free, and effective.

Am I eligible for a booster shot?

At least six months after completing the first Pfizer or Moderna vaccine series, the following groups of people can get a booster dose:

- Those 65 and older,
- Those 18 to 64 who live in long-term care settings,
- Those 18 to 64 who have underlying medical conditions, and
- Those 18 to 64 who work or live in high-risk settings.

People 18+ who got the Johnson & Johnson vaccine can get a booster dose two months after their initial vaccination.

More info about eligibility at: www.bit.ly/boostershots. Questions? Talk to your doctor or call the King County COVID-19 Call Center: 206-477-3977, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. If you need language interpretation, please say your preferred language when connected.

When should I get the booster?

If you are in a group that is eligible for the booster shot, you can receive your shot:

- Six months after your second vaccine dose if you received a Moderna or Pfizer vaccine
- Two months after your initial vaccine if you received a J&J vaccine
What type of booster shot should I get?

You can get the same kind of vaccine or choose a different vaccine for your booster shot. For example, you can get a Moderna or Pfizer booster after the J&J vaccine.

Where can I go to get a booster shot?

Call your doctor's office or health care provider to see if they have available vaccination appointments.

Use Washington State's Vaccine Locator to find a vaccination site near you: https://vaccinelocator.doh.wa.gov.

Visit a King County Vaccination site. Drop-in booster vaccinations are available now at all King County vaccination sites (no appointment needed). You can find a list of sites at kingcounty.gov/vaccine.

If you have a disability and need an accommodation to get the COVID-19 vaccine booster, call 206-477-3977 or email publichealthaccommodations@kingcounty.gov.

What additional resources are available?

Transportation

If you need a ride to your vaccination appointment, visit bit.ly/vaxride (website in English only) or call 425-943-6706 (Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m). Dial 5 for interpretation.

In-home vaccination

To request an appointment for in-home vaccination, call the King County COVID-19 Call Center at 206-477-3977, 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Interpretation is available. You will be asked a few questions to confirm you are eligible.

For more info about vaccine and boosters, visit kingcounty.gov/covid/vaccine.