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Health District Begins 2nd Covid Booster Shots

Wichita Falls, Texas –The Wichita Falls-Wichita County Public Health District will start offering the COVID-19 second booster vaccine to eligible individuals on April 11, 2022. The Texas Department of State Health Services has notified vaccine providers that they should begin to administer the COVID-19 second booster vaccine to certain groups, in line with federal guidance.

While all COVID-19 vaccines continue to provide strong protection for most people, a second booster shot can help strengthen protection against severe disease in populations whose immunity may have started to wane and who are at high-risk of exposure to COVID-19 or complications from severe disease.

On March 29, 2022, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved a second COVID-19 boosters for eligible populations. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued second booster recommendations for all three available COVID-19 vaccines in the United States. Eligible individuals may choose which vaccine they receive as a “mix-and-match” second booster dose.

For individuals who received a Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, the following groups are eligible for a second booster shot at **4 months or more after their first booster vaccine**:

- 50 years and older
- Age 18-49 who are severely immunocompromised (i.e. solid organ transplantation)

For individuals who received a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine, the following groups are eligible for a second booster shot at **4 months or more after their first booster vaccine**:

- 50 years and older
- Age 12-49 who are severely immunocompromised (i.e. solid organ transplantation)

For individuals who received the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine, second booster shots are also recommended for those who are 18 and older and who were vaccinated with a booster four or more months ago.

The Wichita Falls-Wichita County Public Health District will have a COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic on Monday thru Friday 8-4:30.

Please visit the City of Wichita Falls website to register online.

<https://us1.quickscreen.health/wichita-falls-vaccinations#/waitlist>