What Is a Booster Vaccine?

A booster vaccine is an extra shot that a person gets some time after they have gotten their first vaccine. Getting a booster vaccine does not mean the first vaccine did not work. This extra vaccine will make sure that my body will continue to be protected from getting really sick. For the COVID-19 vaccines, doctors are recommending that most people get a booster vaccine a few months after they have gotten their first or second COVID-19 vaccine. I might feel something called a side effect after I get a shot. This is normal. Different people have different side effects. My arm might be sore, or I might feel tired for a day or two. I should ask the person giving me my vaccine what side effects I might feel and who I should talk to if I have questions after I get my vaccine.



If I'm not sure when I should get a booster vaccine, I should ask my family or support person. I can also call my doctor and ask this question. I might get my booster vaccine at my doctor's office or a pharmacy, like CVS or Walgreens. I can tell my family or support person that I want to get my COVID-19 booster vaccine and they can help me find a place to get it. I will probably need to make an appointment to get my booster vaccine. Getting my COVID-19 booster vaccine is a great way for me to continue to protect my body and stay healthy. It is also a great way for me to continue to protect my family and friends.





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