

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**October 25, 2021**

Media Contact: Kelli Pipkin

kpipkin@healthcarewithinreach.org**Community Health Northwest Florida to Offer COVID-19 Booster Clinics**

PENSACOLA, FL – This week Community Health Northwest Florida, in partnership with Escambia County, will begin offering **COVID-19 booster shots of Moderna and Johnson and Johnson vaccines** on Wednesday October 27 and Friday October 29 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at its vaccination clinic inside Brownsville Community Center. The booster shot clinics are open to individuals age 18 and older.

There are now booster recommendations from the CDC/FDA for all three available COVID-19 vaccines in the United States. The recommendations are:

- **Moderna:** The use of a single booster dose of the **Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine** that may be administered **at least 6 months after completion of the primary series** to
 - Individuals 65 years of age and older,
 - Individuals 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19,
 - Individuals 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to COVID-19.
- **Pfizer:** The use of a single booster dose of the **Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine** that may be administered **at least 6 months after completion of the primary series** to
 - Individuals 65 years of age and older,
 - Individuals 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19,
 - Individuals 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to COVID-19.
- **Johnson & Johnson:** The use of a single booster dose of the **Janssen (Johnson and Johnson) COVID-19 Vaccine** may be administered **at least 2 months after completion of the single-dose** primary series to
 - Individuals 18 years of age and older.
- Eligible individuals may choose which vaccine they receive as a booster dose. Some people may have a preference for the vaccine type that they originally received, and others may prefer to get a different booster. CDC's recommendations now allow for this type of mix and match dosing for booster shots.

Persons wishing to receive a COVID booster dose may call the **Community Health Vaccine Call Center at 850-439-3358** to schedule an appointment.

IMPORTANT:

- Participants desiring the COVID-19 booster should bring their COVID-19 vaccination card to their appointment.
- All adult participants will be required to show photo ID at time of appointment.
- Individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 14 days *or* have had symptoms of illness (fever, cough, shortness of breath) in the past 14 days **should not receive the vaccine and should not enter clinic facility.**
- **Individuals who have had the monoclonal antibody infusion treatment should wait at least 90 days before receiving any COVID-19 vaccine.**

Additional information on Community Health Northwest Florida COVID-19 vaccination clinics is available through the **Community Health COVID-19 Vaccine Call Center at 850-439-3358.**