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Sheboygan County Public Health Encourages COVID-19 Bivalent Boosters this Fall

September 22, 2022--The Sheboygan County Division of Public Health is urging community members to make a plan to get boosted against COVID-19. People 12 and older are now eligible to receive updated COVID-19 boosters (also known as bivalent boosters). Doses of the updated COVID-19 boosters are now available at Public Health and with local Pharmacies, health centers, and clinics. You can go to vaccines.gov to find an appointment near you.

"As we head into the fall and winter respiratory virus season, we encourage all Sheboygan County residents 12 and over to make a plan to boost their protection against COVID-19. This is especially important for people 50 and over and those who are immunocompromised" said Public Health Officer Starrlene Grossman. "We also encourage everyone over the age of 6 months to get their flu vaccine this fall, which can be given at the same time as COVID vaccines."

The updated boosters are recommended as a single (1) dose for people 12 and older who have received their primary COVID-19 vaccine series and have not received a COVID-19 vaccine dose in the last two months. People 12 and older are eligible to receive the updated Pfizer COVID-19 booster, and those 18 and older are eligible to receive the updated Moderna COVID-19 booster. In these age groups, these boosters replace the original boosters. The Pfizer and Moderna updated boosters can be administered after any primary series, including Pfizer, Moderna, J&J, or Novavax.

Children ages 5-11 continue to be eligible for the original COVID-19 booster, which provides protection against the original strain of COVID-19. It is anticipated that this age group will be eligible for updated boosters in the coming months.

Everyone 6 months and older is recommended to get vaccinated to protect against COVID-19. If you have not yet received your primary series of COVID-19 vaccines, it is never too late to get vaccinated.

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