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Administrative Circular: 2022:37

ATTN: Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices
Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators
Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

**Re: Update to Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 2: Immunization,
Part 4 – Biological Products**

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COVID-19 Vaccines

COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility

Footnote B was revised to remove pregnant persons from those who may receive a booster dose 8 weeks after completion of the primary series.

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The following COVID-19 vaccine product pages have been updated to indicate the following:

- **Doses and Schedule:**
 - Content has been revised to indicate that the minimum interval between completion of the primary series and the booster dose is 3 months. This revised minimum interval additionally applies to pregnant people and aligns with the National Advisory Committee on Immunization's [Updated guidance on COVID-19 vaccines for individuals who are pregnant or breastfeeding](#). The exception to this is the Janssen vaccine for which the minimum interval is 8 weeks between the single dose of Janssen vaccine and the booster dose.

COVID-19 Vaccine Comirnaty® (Pfizer-BioNTech) Adult/Adolescent (Gray Vial Cap)

In addition to the revision to the Doses and Schedule indicated above the Product Components have been corrected to include tromethamine and tromethamine hydrochloride.

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COVID-19 Vaccine Comirnaty® (Pfizer-BioNTech) Adult/Adolescent (Purple Vial Cap)

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COVID-19 Vaccine SPIKEVAX™ (Moderna) 6 Years of Age and Older (Red Vial Cap)

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COVID-19 mRNA Vaccine Spikevax™ Bivalent (Moderna)

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- **Booster Doses:**
 - Content has been revised to indicate that the minimum interval between completion of the primary series and the booster dose is 3 months. This revised minimum interval additionally applies to pregnant people and aligns with the National Advisory Committee on Immunization's [Updated guidance on COVID-19 vaccines for individuals who are pregnant or breastfeeding](#).

COVID-19 Vaccine VAXZEVRIA™ (AstraZeneca)

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COVID-19 Vaccine NUVAXOVID™ (Novavax)

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