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LBIHD Offers Immunocompromised Appointments for 3rd Dose of both mRNA Covid-19 Vaccines

LBIHD is providing an additional dose of Moderna or Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for individuals with moderately to severely compromised immune systems. Recently, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended that people who are moderately to severely immunocompromised receive an additional dose of mRNA COVID-19 vaccine at least 28 days after a second dose of [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine](#) or [Moderna COVID-19 vaccine](#). This includes people who have:

- Active treatment for solid tumor and hematologic malignancies,
- Receipt of a solid-organ transplant and taking immunosuppressive therapy,
- Receipt of CAR-T-cell or hematopoietic stem cell transplant(within 2 years of transplantation or taking immunosuppression therapy),
- Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency(such as Di George syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome),
- Advanced or untreated HIV infection, and/or
- Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids (~20mg prednisone or equivalent per day), alkylating agents, antimetabolites, transplant-related immunosuppressive drugs, cancer chemotherapeutic agents classified as severely immunosuppressive, tumor-necrosis(TNF) blockers, and other biologic agents that are immunosuppressive or immunomodulatory.

Individuals should talk to their healthcare provider about their medical condition, and whether getting an additional dose is appropriate for them.

Additional doses are by appointment ONLY, please call our office or schedule through our website by hovering over Covid-19 tab at www.lbihealth.com.

For those who received the one-dose J&J vaccine, the CDC advises that there is not enough data at this time to determine whether people with a compromised immune system will also have an improved antibody response following an additional dose of the same vaccine.

The LBIHD requires individuals to wear a mask, bring their current COVID-19 vaccination record card identifying which 2-dose vaccine was administered prior and the dates. For more information regarding the additional dose, residents can visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/recommendations/immuno.html>