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**BOOSTER SHOT:**

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration expanded its Emergency Use Authorization to include **Pfizer** boosters, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued recommendations.

The single booster dose can be administered at least **six months** after completion of the second dose and applies only to fully vaccinated individuals who previously received both doses of the Pfizer vaccine.

o People age 65 years and older and adults 50-64 years with underlying medical conditions should get a booster shot. The risk of severe illness from COVID-19 increases with age, and can also increase for adults of any age with underlying medical conditions.

o Residents age 18 years of older of long-term care settings should get a booster shot because residents in long-term care settings live closely together in group settings and are often older adults with underlying medical conditions, they are at increased risk of infection and severe illness from COVID-19.

o People ages 18–49 years with underlying medical conditions may get a booster shot vaccine based on their individual benefits and risks.