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introduces
booster dose
of COVID-19
vaccine for all
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Ukraine has allowed a booster dose of the COVID-19 vaccine for all vaccinated persons over the age of 18. The optimal period of revaccination is from 6 to 9 months after the completion of the initial course of

vaccination,

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https://en.moz.gov.ua/article/news/ukraine-introduces-booster-dose-of-covid-19-vaccine-for-all-vaccinated-people

regardless of

what vaccine the

person was

vaccinated with.

The introduction

of a booster

dose of the

COVID-19

vaccine has

already

demonstrated its

safety. It

enhances the

immune

response and

effectiveness

against various

topical variants

of the SARS-

CoV-2

coronavirus.

To date, data

show that the

effectiveness of

vaccines in

preventing the

symptomatic

course of COVID-

19 caused by the

Omicron variant

is significantly

lower compared

to the Delta

variant and

decreases

rapidly over time,

especially among

older people. The

introduction of a

booster dose

brings the

effectiveness of

vaccines closer

to 90% in

preventing

hospitalization

due to COVID-

19.

The main goal of

vaccination

against COVID-

19 remains to

prevent the

severe course of

the disease,

especially among

at-risk groups,

and save lives,

as well as

protect the

health system

from overload.

That is why it is

critically

important that as

many elderly

people, people

with serious

comorbidities

and medical

professionals as

possible undergo

an initial course

of vaccination

against COVID-

19.

The Ministry of

Health appeals to

all unvaccinated

people over the

age of 60 to get

vaccinated

against COVID-

19 as soon as

possible. All the

necessary

conditions have

been created for

this - elderly

people can make

an appointment

at the nearest

vaccination point

or center, where

they have

priority. People

who cannot

move

independently

can call a mobile

team at home.

For the booster

dose, regardless

of which vaccine

the person was

vaccinated with,

Moderna or

Comirnaty by

Pfizer-BioNTech

m-RNA vaccines

will be preferred.

Those who have

received the first

two vaccinations

with the

Coronavac

vaccine by

Sinovac Biotech

are advised to

get a booster

dose of Pfizer

vaccine.

In the absence of

mRNA vaccines,

the booster dose

can be made

with another

vaccine

according to the

schemes allowed

in Ukraine.

People with

weakened

immune systems

who are currently

being given an

additional dose

of the COVID-19

vaccine will also

be able to

receive a booster

dose 3 months

after the

additional one

(the optimal

period of

administration is

from 3 to 6

months).

If six months

have passed

since completing

the full course of

COVID-19

vaccination, you

can get a booster

dose at any point

or vaccination

center. The list

and contacts of

points and

centers can be

found at

vaccination.covid19.gov.ua/list

or by calling 0

800 60 20 19.

It should be

recalled that the

booster dose in

Ukraine is

already

administered to

people over the

age of 60,

medical workers

and employees

of boarding

schools.

After the booster

dose is

administered, it

will be possible

to obtain a new

COVID

certificate, which

will be valid for

270 days from

the date of its

administration. It

will be possible

to generate it in

"Diia"

approximately at

the end of

January 2022.

Before that time

the certificate for

the previous full

vaccination will

be valid.



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