

Appointments for bivalent booster vaccines available at state-run vaccination sites in Moorhead and Rochester

Appointments are now available for Minnesotans to receive an updated bivalent booster at state-run vaccination sites in Moorhead and Rochester.

- [Moorhead appointment link](#)
- [Rochester appointment link](#)

The Moorhead vaccination site will be located in the former Thomas Edison Elementary School (1110 S. 14th St. Moorhead, MN), and the Rochester vaccination site will be located in the Mayo Civic Center (30 Civic Center Dr SE, Rochester, MN).

The first available appointments for both locations are Friday, Sept. 16. The Moorhead and Rochester sites will both be open Fridays from noon-7 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Both sites will offer the Pfizer bivalent booster.

Bivalent boosters will also be available next week at the St. Paul Midway location where COVID-19 testing is available. Information will be updated on the [Find Vaccine Locations](#) map when appointments are open for vaccinations at the Midway site.

In addition to state-run vaccination sites, Minnesotans can find updated bivalent boosters through Minnesota pharmacies, health care systems, local public health and tribal health agencies, and other health care providers.

“Staying up to date on your COVID-19 vaccines is a crucial part of protecting our state in the months ahead,” said Minnesota Commissioner of Health Jan Malcolm. “The bivalent boosters were shown to be safe and effective, and they will be a key tool in helping provide better protection against variants that are currently spreading. I would also encourage eligible

Minnesotans who are seeking this updated booster to take this opportunity to ensure your whole family is up to date on their COVID-19 vaccinations so you have the best protection possible as school starts and before end-of-year holidays.”

About the variant specific booster:

The Pfizer bivalent booster vaccine is recommended for people age 12 and older. The Moderna bivalent booster vaccine is recommended for people age 18 and older. Both vaccines can be given at least two months after a primary vaccine series or booster vaccination. The bivalent vaccines can only be used for a single booster dose.

These boosters will continue to be free for all Minnesotans at both state and private sites, regardless of insurance status.

It is important for everyone to stay up to date with the COVID-19 vaccine doses recommended for them. Talk to your health care provider or refer to [CDC's Stay Up to Date with COVID-19 Vaccines Including Boosters](#). COVID-19 vaccines continue to protect people by preventing severe illness and deaths.