

KINGS HARBOR MULTICARE CENTER

Dear Family Members/Loved Ones/Concerned Individuals,

On Friday, September 24, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) approved a plan to implement a booster (3rd dose of COVID-19 vaccine) program for the prevention of COVID-19. The CDC has granted an emergency use authorization for a booster shot of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine, to be given six months after the second vaccine dose.

Several populations of Americans are included in this plan. Among them are Pfizer vaccine recipients who are residents of long-term facilities.

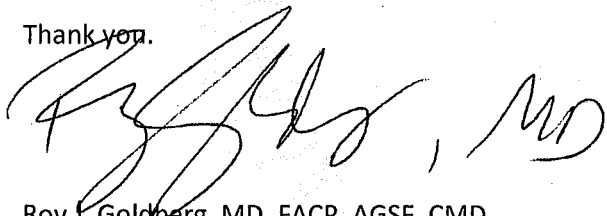
Reactions reported after the third dose are similar to the two-dose series and overall most symptoms were mild to moderate according to the CDC.

The emergency use authorization applies only to those who received the initial two doses with the Pfizer vaccine. For those who received Moderna or the single shot Johnson and Johnson vaccine, data is being reviewed presently and it's hoped there will be a similar recommendation in the near future.

There will be more information about getting a booster shot in the coming days. It is expected to be widely available at our facility. We will notify you in advance of the scheduled clinic date.

Needless to say, the emergency use authorization for a booster vaccine dose is a welcome addition in the fight against COVID-19. I urge all of you to give us approval for your loved ones who cannot consent on their own, and for those who qualify to receive the booster shot themselves.

Thank you.



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