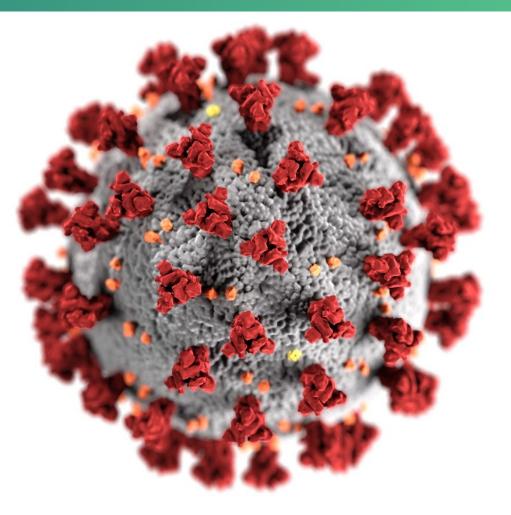
Updates to the Evidence to Recommendation Framework: Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine booster doses in 12–15 year olds

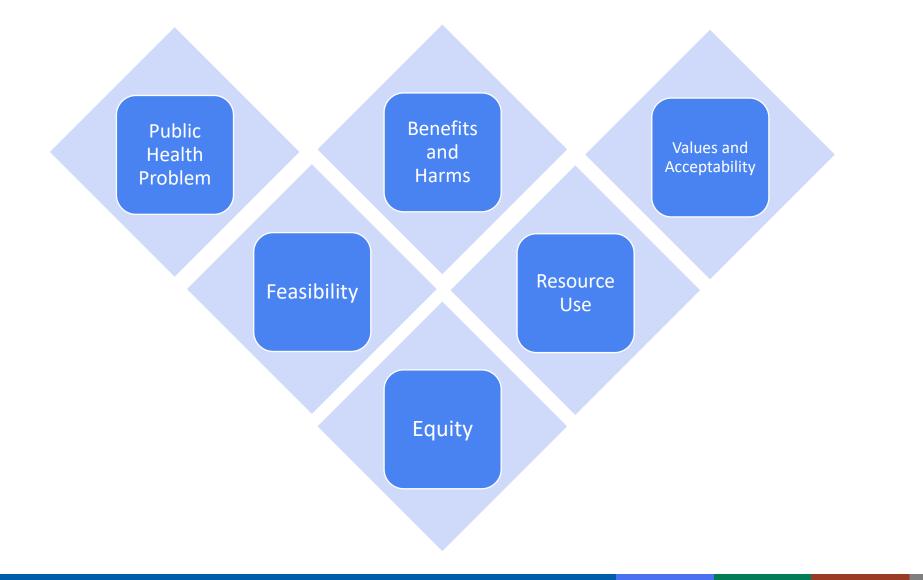
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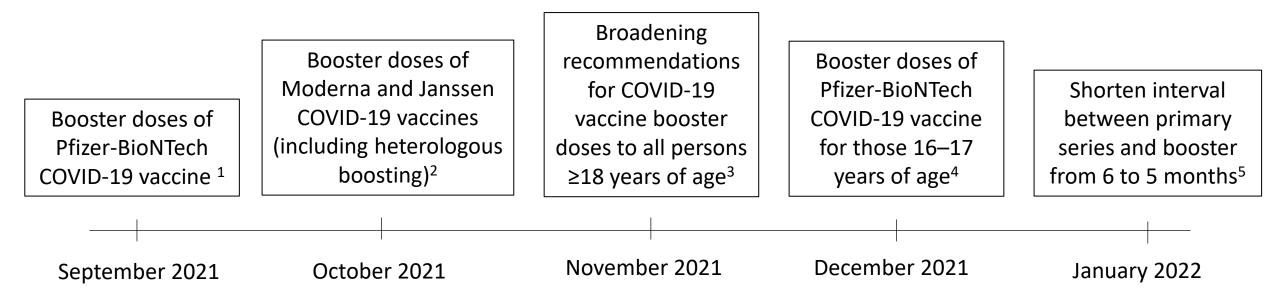


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#### **Evidence to Recommendations (EtR) Framework**

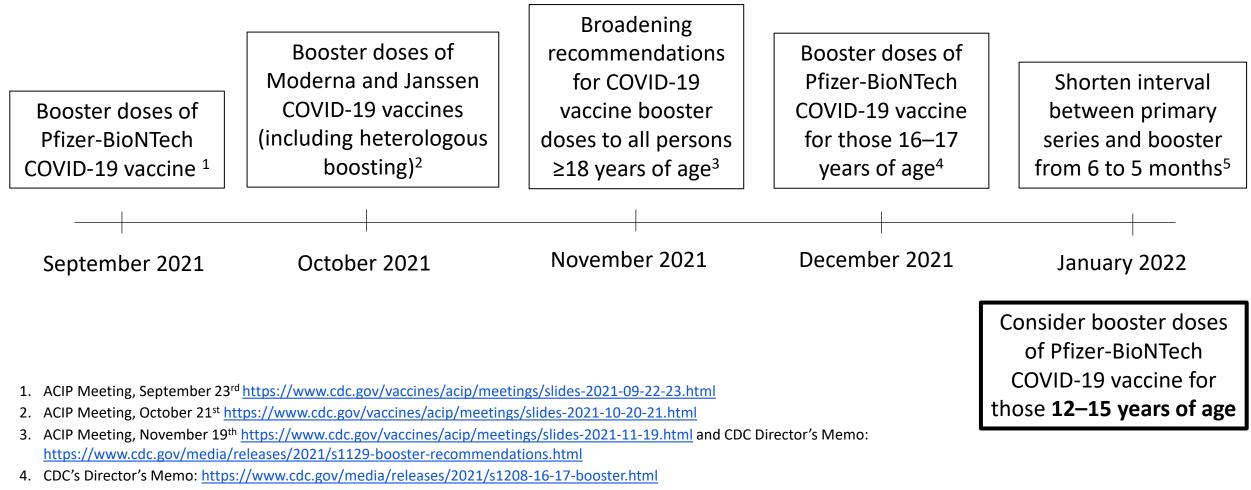


## **Timeline of recommendations for COVID-19 vaccine booster doses**



- 1. ACIP Meeting, September 23rd https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/meetings/slides-2021-09-22-23.html
- 2. ACIP Meeting, October 21st https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/meetings/slides-2021-10-20-21.html
- 3. ACIP Meeting, November 19<sup>th</sup> <u>https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/meetings/slides-2021-11-19.html</u> and CDC Director's Memo: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s1129-booster-recommendations.html</u>
- 4. CDC's Director's Memo: https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s1208-16-17-booster.html
- 5. CDC's Director's Memo: https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2022/s0104-Pfizer-Booster.html

## **Timeline of recommendations for COVID-19 vaccine booster doses**



5. CDC's Director's Memo: https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2022/s0104-Pfizer-Booster.html

#### **Current recommendations for COVID-19 vaccine booster doses**

Age	Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine primary series	Moderna COVID-19 vaccine primary series	Janssen COVID-19 vaccine primary series		
≥18 years	Should receive a booster <u>5 months</u> after receipt of primary series dose	Should receive a booster <u>6 months</u> after receipt of primary series dose	Should receive a booster <u>2 months</u> after receipt of primary series dose		
16–17 years	May receive a booster <u>5 months</u> after receipt of primary series dose	Not authorized	Not authorized		

## **Policy question**

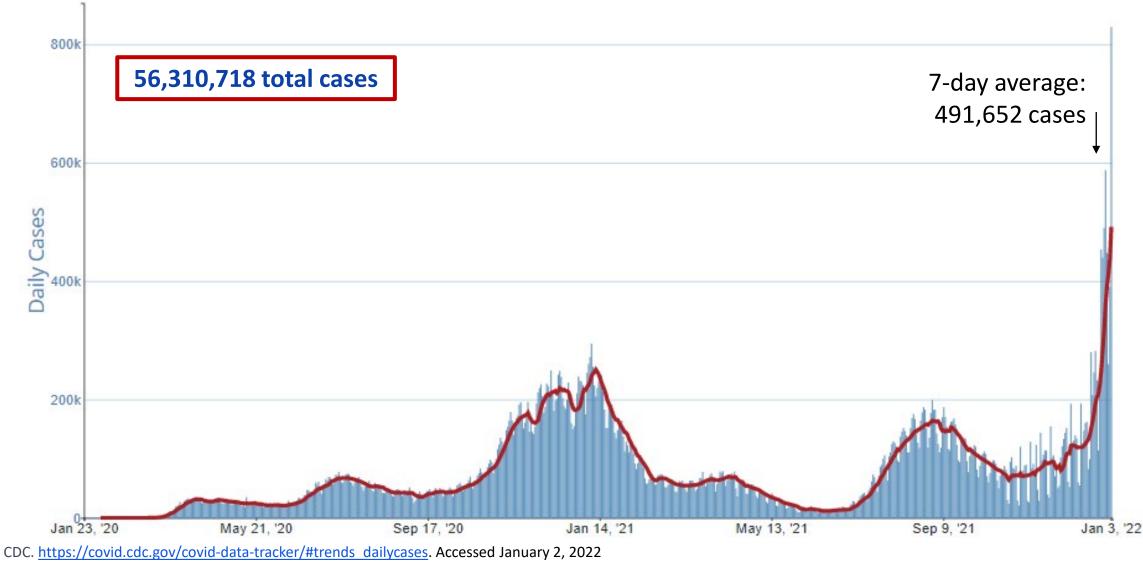
Should individuals 12–15 years of age receive a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine booster dose at least 5 months after completion of the primary series, based on the balance of benefits and risks?

#### **Evidence to Recommendations Framework** Booster doses of COVID-19 vaccines



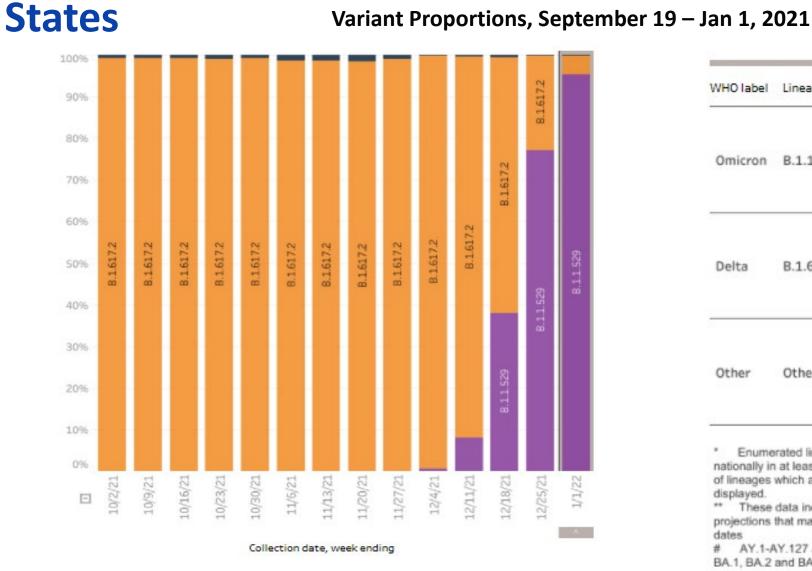
#### **Trends in COVID-19 cases in the United States**

January 23, 2020 – January 3, 2022



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#### **Estimated circulating SARS-CoV-2 variants in the United**



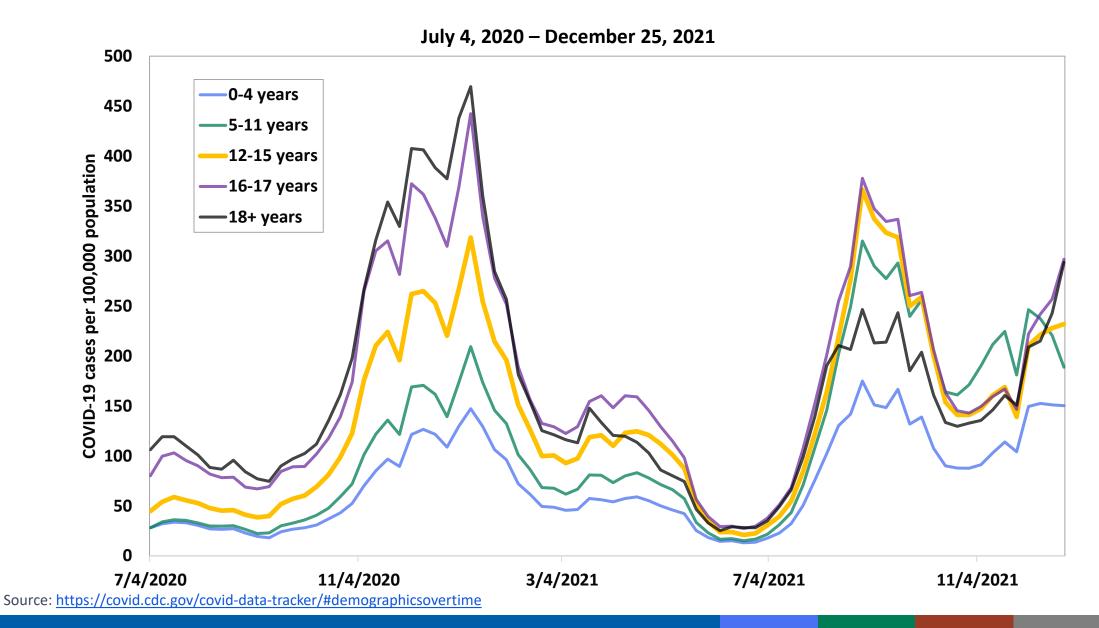
USA								
WHO label	Lineage #	US Class	%Total	95%PI				
Omicron	B.1.1.529	VOC	95.4%	92.9-97.0%				
Delta	B.1.617.2	VOC	4.6%	2.9-7.0%				
Other	Other*		0.0%	0.0-0.1%				

\* Enumerated lineages are US VOC and lineages circulating above 1% nationally in at least one week period. "Other" represents the aggregation of lineages which are circulating <1% nationally during all weeks displayed.

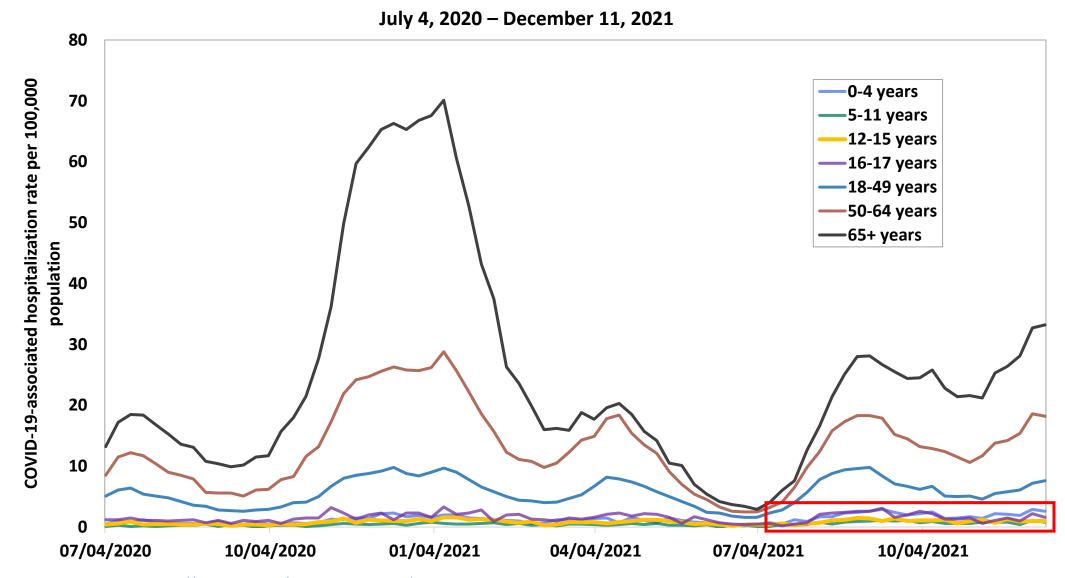
\*\* These data include Nowcast estimates, which are modeled projections that may differ from weighted estimates generated at later dates

# AY.1-AY.127 and their sublineages are aggregated with B.1.617.2. BA.1, BA.2 and BA.3 are aggregated with B.1.1.529.

### **COVID-19 incidence rates, by age group**

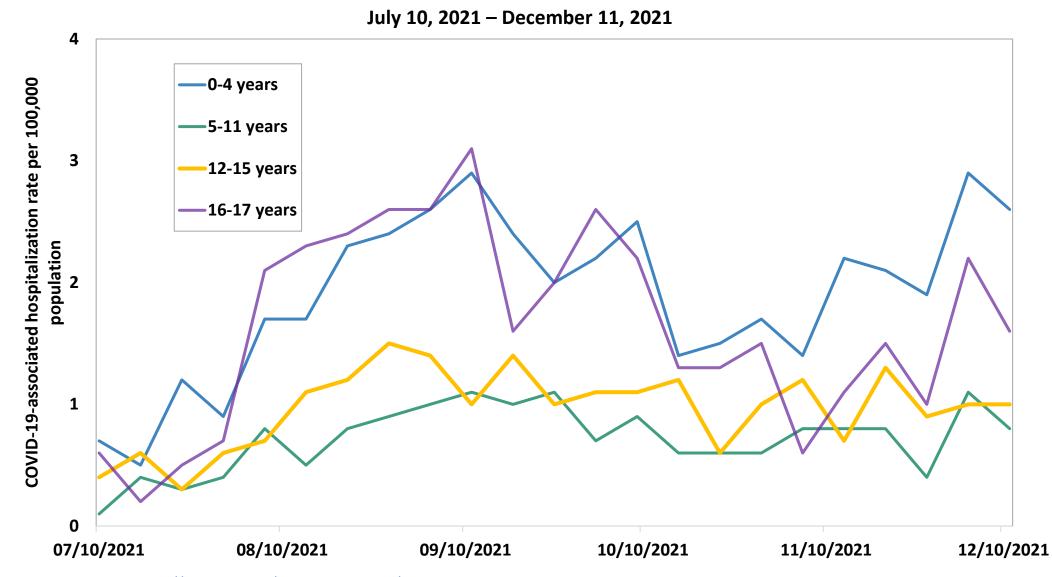


#### **COVID-19-associated hospitalization rates, by age group**



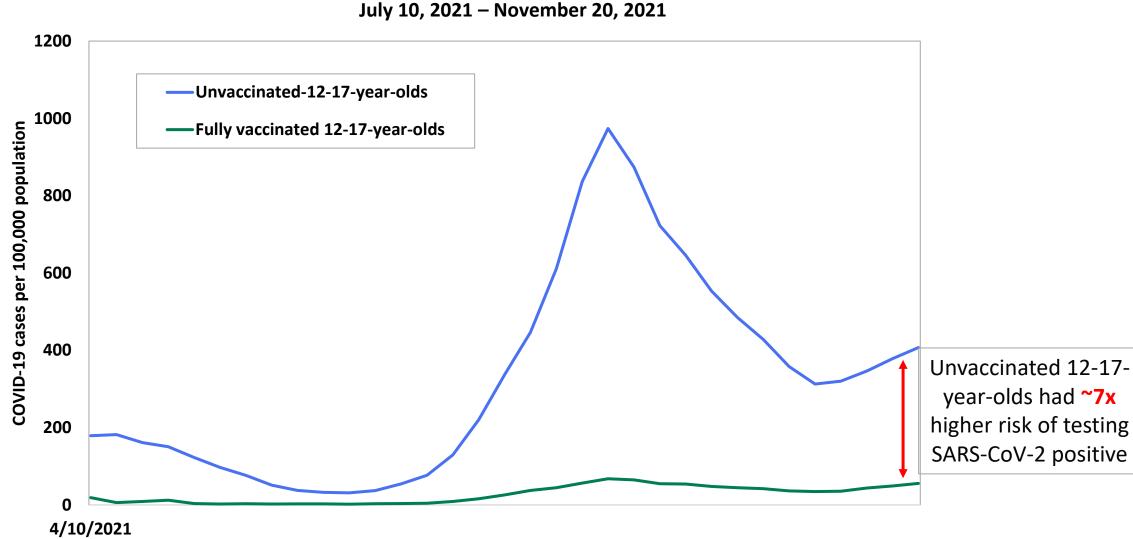
Source: CDC's COVID-NET, <u>https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#covidnet-hospitalization-network</u>

#### **COVID-19-associated hospitalization rates among pediatric age groups**



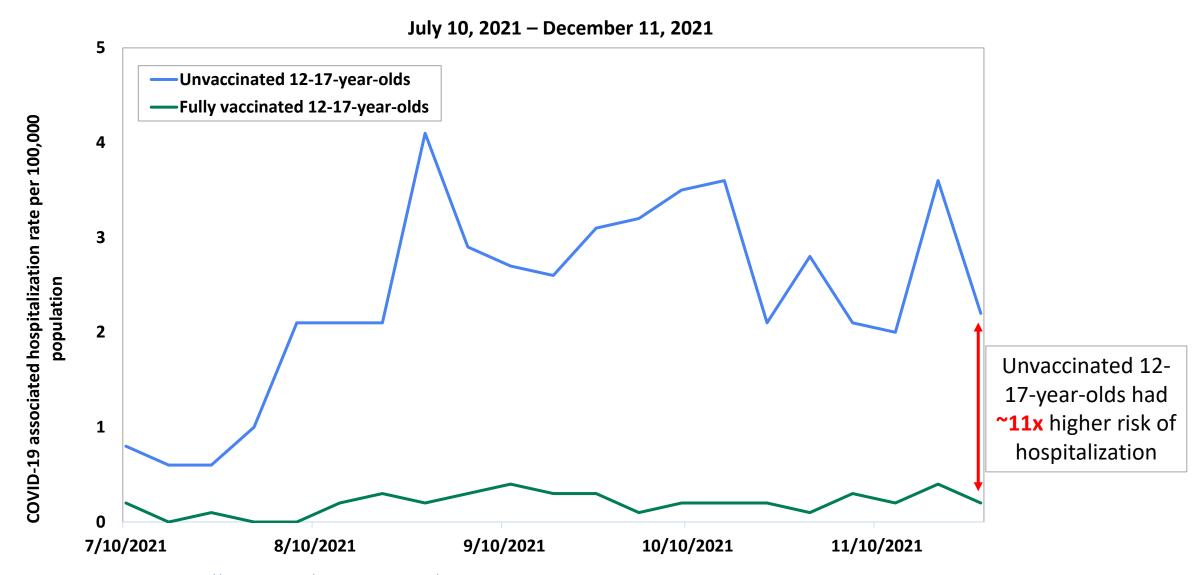
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#### **COVID-19-incidence rates among 12–17-year-olds, by vaccination status**



Source: <a href="https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#rates-by-vaccine-status">https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#rates-by-vaccine-status</a>

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### Estimate of Vaccine Effectiveness of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine in Preventing SARS-CoV-2 <u>Infection</u> Among Adolescents Aged 12–17 Years — Arizona, July–December 2021

- Design: prospective cohort study
- Period: July 25<sup>th</sup> –December 4<sup>th</sup>
- Population: children and adolescents, aged 12–17 years in the PROTECT prospective cohort study. PROTECT participants in Arizona were recruited from families of adults participating in the HEROES study and the general public
- Adjusted using: inverse probability of treatment weighting approach with individual propensities to be vaccinated during each week based on sociodemographic characteristics, health information, frequency of close social contact, percentage of time wearing masks, and local virus circulation

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	No. of			No. of	VE, % (95% CI)		
Pfizer COVID-19 vaccination status	contributing participants*	Total person-days	No. of days, median (IQR)	SARS-CoV-2 infections	Unadjusted	Adjusted <sup>†,§</sup>	
Unvaccinated	66	4,288	62 (23–98)	16	_	_	
Partially vaccinated (≥14 days after dose 1 to day 13 after dose 2)	30	909	21 (20–28)	0	—	_	
Fully vaccinated (≥14 days after dose 2)	190	21,693	119 (105– 133)	5	94 (83–98)	92 (79–97)	

\* Contributing participants in vaccination categories did not equal the number of participants in the study because participants could contribute to more than one vaccination category since vaccination status varies by time.

<sup>+</sup> Adjusted VE is inversely weighted for propensity to be vaccinated; all covariates met balance criteria of standardized mean difference (SMD)<0.2 after weighting except community mask use and local virus circulation (SMD = 0.228 and 0.288, respectively), but community mask use was only found to change VE estimate by ≥5% when added to the model and was therefore included as a covariate in the Cox regression model for VE.</p>
§ Five participants missing community mask use were excluded from analysis; this exclusion did not affect the VE estimate.

#### Increasing Community Access to Testing (ICATT) Partnership: VE analysis for <u>symptomatic infection</u>, July 18–October 17, 2021

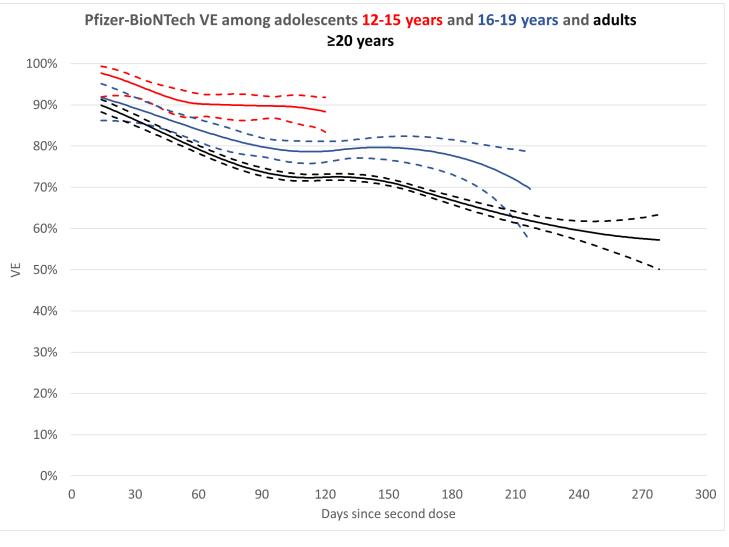
- Nationwide community-based COVID-19 drive-through testing at pharmacies
- Self-reported vaccine history at time of registration for COVID-19 testing; excluded those who did not report vaccination status (~4% of records among adolescents)
- **Design**: Test-negative, case-control assessment
- Period: July 18-October 17 (Delta variant represented >90% of nationally sequenced specimens)
- Population: Persons aged 12-15, 16-19, ≥20 years with <u>COVID-like illness</u> (CLI) and laboratory-based nucleic acid amplification testing (NAAT)

#### Adjusted for:

- Calendar day, race, ethnicity, gender, site's state, site census tract's social vulnerability index (SVI)
- Not adjusted for underlying conditions or prior infection

Comparison of Pfizer-BioNTech VE against <u>symptomatic infection</u> between adolescents 12-15 and 16-19 years and adults ≥20 years and day since the second dose, July 18-October 17

- VE is highest among ages 12-15 years, then 16-19 years, then adults ≥20 years
- VE wanes among all age groups with increasing time since vaccination
- Analysis reflects period with predominance of Delta variant



12-15 years

**16-19** years

— Adults ≥20 years

Confidence intervals shown in dotted lines. The presented (fitted) curves are truncated on the day with ≤10 cases observed beyond it to avoid presenting wide confidence bounds.

Effectiveness of Pfizer-BioNTech mRNA Vaccination Against COVID-19 <u>Hospitalization</u> Among Persons Aged 12–18 Years — United States, June–September 2021

- **Design:** test negative, case control
- Period: June 1<sup>st</sup> September 30<sup>th</sup>
- Population: children and adolescents, aged 12-18 years hospitalized at 19 pediatric hospitals in 16 states
- Adjusted for: census region, calendar month of admission, age, sex, race/ethnicity

### Vaccine effectiveness against COVID-19 <u>hospitalization</u> among patients aged 12–18, 19 pediatric hospitals, 16 states, July – September, 2021

	No. vaccinated/	/Total (%)	
Age group, yrs	Case-patients	Controls	Vaccine effectiveness, % (95% CI)
All	6/179 (3.4)	93/285 (32.6)	93 (83–97)
12–15	4/106 (3.8)	53/179 (29.6)	91 (74–97)
16–18	2/73 (2.7)	40/106 (37.7)	94 (78–99)

#### • Limitation: VE estimate reflects Delta dominant period

#### **Effectiveness of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine against MIS-C**

- Using a test-negative case-control design that included 102 MIS-C casepatients and 181 hospitalized controls 12–18 years of age:
  - Vaccine effectiveness of 2-doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine against MIS-C was **91**% (95% CI = 78%–97%)
    - This estimate was calculated in consideration of children hospitalized a minimum of 28 days after receipt of their 2nd dose
  - 97/102 (95%) of hospitalized children with MIS-C were unvaccinated
  - None of the five vaccinated MIS-C patients required respiratory or cardiovascular life support (invasive mechanical ventilation, vasoactive infusions, or ECMO) compared to 38/97 (39%) of unvaccinated MIS-C patients

### **Summary** Public Health Problem

- US experiencing substantial increase in cases over last month
- Omicron variant represents over half of recent U.S. cases
- COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations 7–11 times higher in unvaccinated adolescents, compared to vaccinated adolescents
- Vaccine effectiveness in adolescents 12–15 years of age remains high, but may have some waning over time
  - Current VE estimates primarily in the setting of the **Delta variant**

#### **Evidence to Recommendations Framework** Booster doses of COVID-19 vaccines



# Randomized controlled trial data evaluated for recommendation of primary series in 12–15-year-olds

- Pfizer-BioNTech phase 2/3 randomized controlled trial (RCT)
- ~2,000 persons aged 12–15 years in United States
- Data evaluated: all eligible randomized participants who received all vaccinations as randomized within the predefined window and no other important protocol deviations (data cut-off: March 13, 2021)

## Summary of the phase 2/3 trial data, primary series in 12-15-year-olds: Benefits

- The clinical trial for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine demonstrated efficacy against symptomatic, laboratory-confirmed COVID-19. There were no COVID-19 cases among the 1,001 vaccine recipients and 16 COVID-19 cases among 972 placebo recipients for a vaccine efficacy of **100%**
- The geometric mean ratio (GMR) for antibodies in 12–15-year-olds compared with 16–25-year-olds was 1.76 (95% CI:1.47, 2.10), and met the noninferiority criteria
- No hospitalizations due to COVID-19 or cases of MIS-C were reported by any trial participants

# Summary of the phase 2/3 trial data, primary series in 12-15-year-olds: Harms

- Serious adverse events (SAE) were reported in a higher proportion of recipients of vaccine versus placebo (0.4% vs 0.2%) based on 5 SAEs in the vaccine group and 2 in the placebo group
- Severe reactions were more common in vaccine recipients; a grade ≥3 reaction was reported by 10.7% of vaccinated versus 1.9% of placebo group

#### **Rate ratio for infection, booster doses compared to primary series** Israel, July 30–October 10, 2021

- Real world effectiveness data from Israel:
   4.7 million individuals ≥16 years of age
  - Booster dose given 5 months after a 2-dose Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine primary series demonstrated efficacy against confirmed infection in all age groups
  - Among 16–29 year olds, the rate ratio for infection in the non-boosted group vs boosted group was 17.2

Age group	Rate Ratio (95% CI)
≥60 yr	12.3 (11.8–12.8)
50–59 yr	12.2 (11.4–13.0)
40–49 yr	9.7 (9.2–10.3)
30–39 yr	9.0 (8.4–9.7)
16–29 yr	17.2 (15.4–19.2)

#### **Myocarditis in Israel**

#### Reported after Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine, as of December 15, 2021

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	16-19	0	0.9	1.6	125,088
Females	20-24	0.4	2.0	0	171,870
	25-29	0	0.9	0	156,673
	≥30	0.1	0.4	0.1	1,658,035
	12-15	0.5	6.6	0	3,178
	16-19	1.2	15.3	6.5	123,355
Males	20-24	2.1	10.5	4.7	171,235
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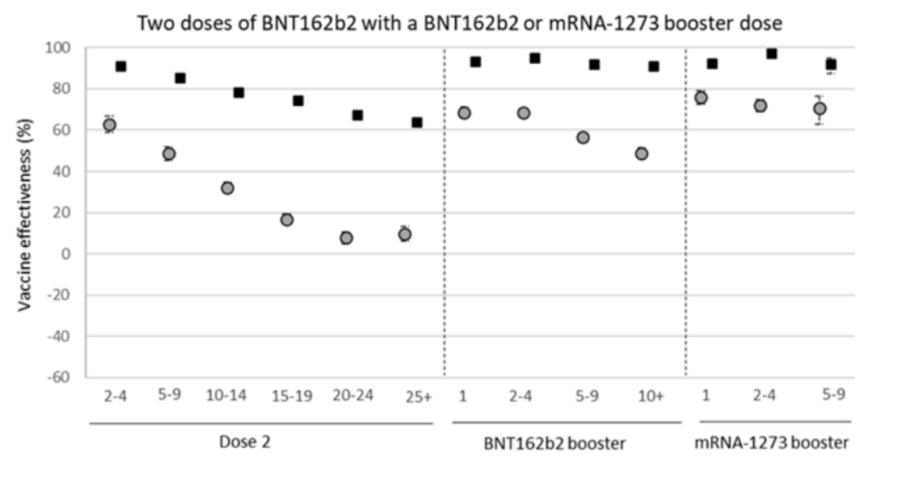
**No cases** of myocarditis reported after a 3<sup>rd</sup> dose in 12–15 year olds, out of **6,334** doses provided

#### **Neutralization of Omicron variant by sera from vaccinees**

- Neutralization of Omicron below the limit of detection for most individuals who received two doses of mRNA or one dose of Janssen vaccines
- Neutralization of Omicron above the limit of detection in many vaccinated people who received a booster or who were previously infected
- Given limits of detection of assays, difficult to evaluate with laboratory tests whether people have the level of antibodies needed to protect against severe disease

Wilhelm et al. https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.07.21267432v1.full.pdf; Cele et al. https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.08.21267491v1; Dejnirattisai et al. https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.10.21267534v1; Schmidt et al. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1zjJWsybGaa3egiyn5nQqTzBtl0kmvMUu/view; Pfizer investor brief: https://investors.biontech.de/static-files/47b4131a-0545-4a0b-a353-49b3a1d01789; Nemet et al. https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.13.21267670v1; Ikemura et al. https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.13.21267761v1; Lu et al. https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.13.21267668v1; Garcia-Beltran et al. https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.14.21267755v1/ ; Cameroni et al. https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.14.472269v1.full.pdf ; Doria-Rose et al. https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.12.15.21267805; Planas et al. https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.14.472630v1; Aggarwal et al. https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.14.21267772v1; Liu et al. https://www.biorxiv.org/content/10.1101/2021.12.14.472719v1.full.pdf

## Pfizer mRNA vaccine effectiveness (VE) against infections with Delta and Omicron variants, United Kingdom





 Increased waning immunity for Omicron vs Delta

mRNA vaccine
 booster increased VE
 against Omicron

#### Time since Vaccine (weeks)

Andrews et al.. https://khub.net/documents/135939561/430986542/Effectiveness+of+COVID-19+vaccines+against+Omicron+variant+of+concern.pdf/f423c9f4-91cb-0274-c8c5-70e8fad50074

### Potential benefits of booster dose in 12–15 year olds

- 2-dose primary series of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine in 12–15 year olds provides protection against COVID-19 symptomatic infection, hospitalization, MIS-C and death
- VE after the primary series is high, but likely impacted by Omicron variant
  - In persons ≥18 years of age in the UK: VE was lower for Omicron variant compared to Delta
  - Estimates of VE against Omicron in adolescents 12–15 years of age is unknown
- Booster dose shown to increase neutralization antibody level and VE in persons ≥18 years of age
  - In the UK, a booster dose increased VE in the setting of Omicron

### Potential harms of booster dose in 12–15 year olds

- Myocarditis rates among 12–15-year-olds who received a primary series lower than rates among 16–17-year-olds
- Among >6,000 12–15-year-olds who received a third dose in Israel, no cases of myocarditis were reported
  - In older age groups, rates of myocarditis after a third dose lower than what is seen after second dose

#### **Summary** Benefits and Harms

- In the setting of Omicron, likely lower vaccine effectiveness in all populations, compared to effectiveness seen with Delta variant
- Higher antibody titers improve neutralization of Omicron variant; booster doses of COVID-19 vaccines increase neutralization titers
- Impact of booster dose on neutralizing antibody or VE in adolescents 12–15 years of age is unknown, but likely to provide additional protection
- Myocarditis rates after booster dose likely lower than what is seen after a 2<sup>nd</sup> dose in younger adolescents

#### **Evidence to Recommendations Framework** Booster doses of COVID-19 vaccines



### Trends in vaccine uptake among adolescents, 12 – 17 years United States

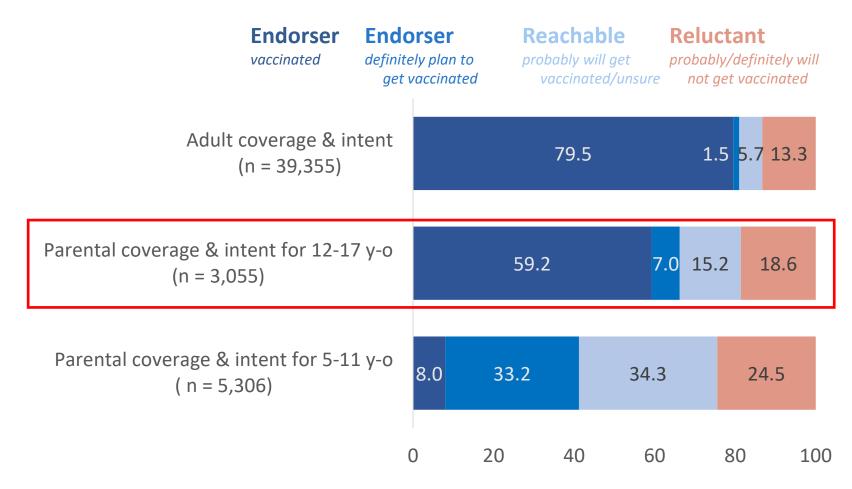
Vaccine uptake among 12 – 17-year-olds has slowed, as about half of parents say their teenager has already received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine in November

Thinking about your child between the ages of 12 and 17, have they received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, or not? If not, do you think you will get them vaccinated...?

	Child is vaccinated	Right away 📃	Wait	and se	ee	Only if r	equired	d 📃	Definite	ely not	Don't k	now/Refused
Nov '21	49%				1	3%		309	%			
Oct '21	46%				1	1%	5%	31%				
Sept '21	48%					15%			21%			8%
July '21	41%		e	6%	23%				9%	20%		
June '21	34%	8%		18%			10%		25%			6%
May '21	24%	18%		21%			14	%		20%		
April '21	30%	26%	%				15%		2	2%		

KFF COVID-19 Vaccine Monitor. Winter 2021 Update On Parents' Views of Vaccines for Kids. <u>https://www.kff.org/coronavirus-covid-19/poll-finding/kff-covid-19-vaccine-monitor-winter-2021-update-on-parents-views-of-vaccines/</u>. Accessed January 3, 2022.

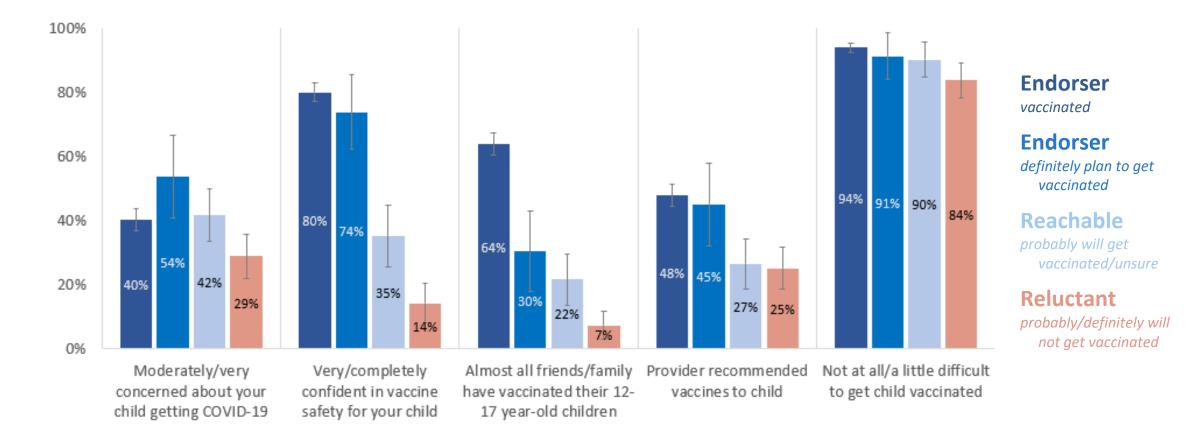
### Coverage and intent for vaccination among adults, adolescents, 12 – 17 years and children, 5 – 11 years



- 59% of 12-17-year-olds were vaccinated, but 7% of parents definitely planned to vaccinate their 12-17year-old (unrealized intent)
- 8% of 5-11-year-olds were vaccinated, 33% of parents definitely planned to vaccinate their child

CDC Preliminary & Unpublished data, National Immunization Survey, October 31, 2021 – November 27, 2021

#### Behavioral, social and access-factors by vaccination coverage and parental intent for adolescents aged 12 – 17 years NIS-CCM – Oct 31, 2021 – Nov 27, 2021, n=3,055



# Parental confidence in safety of COVID-19 vaccines for adolescents and children

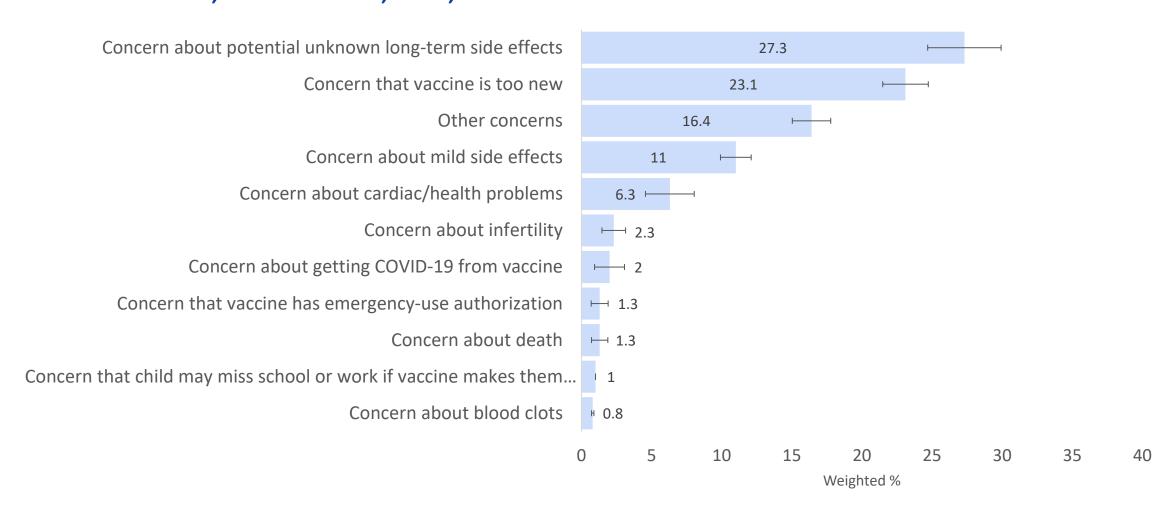
- Parents are less likely to express confidence that COVID-19 vaccines are safe for adolescents or children
- Majority of parents say they do not have enough information on vaccine effectiveness (58%), side effects (63%) and safety (61%) in children
  - Survey respondents were asked, "How confident, if at all, are you that the COVID-19 vaccines are safe for...?"

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	Very confident Somewhat confident Not too confident Not at all confident				
Adults	35%	29%		15%	21%
Adolescents 12-17	26%	25%	19%	28%	
Children 5-11	21%	23%	22%	33%	

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#### Parental concern about safety of COVID-19 vaccines in adolescents NIS-CCM – Oct 31, 2021 – Nov 27, 2021, n=877

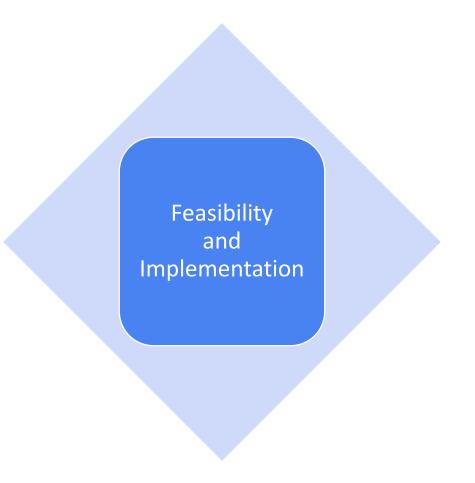


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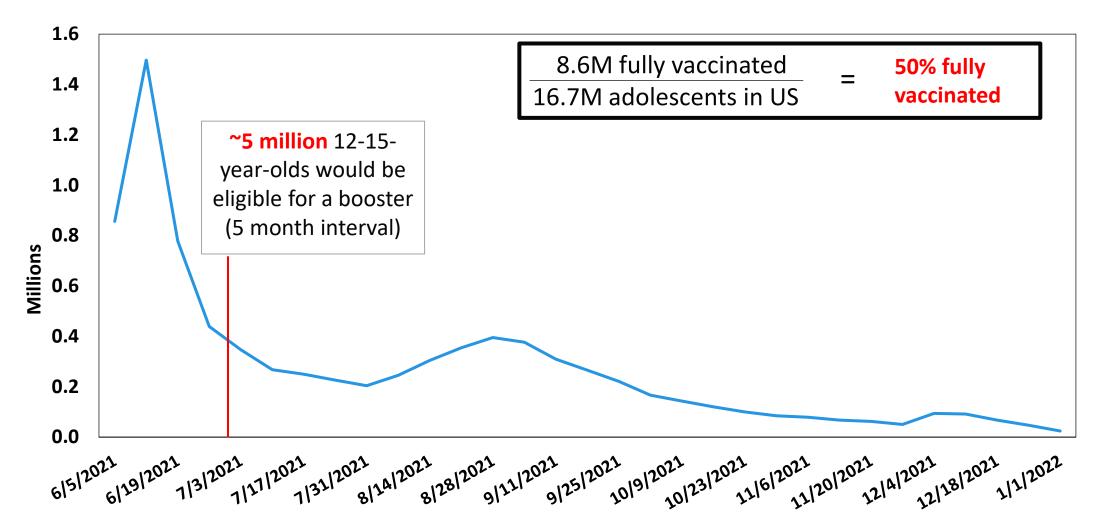
- Vaccine uptake among 12-17-year-olds has slowed over the past two months
  - As more information emerges on the potential impact of the Omicron variant in children, parents' attitudes towards vaccinating their teenagers and younger children for COVID-19 may change
- Parents of adolescents and children are concerned about the potential unknown long-term side effects

### **Evidence to Recommendations Framework** Booster doses of COVID-19 vaccines



#### **Completed Primary Series among 12-15-Year-Olds by Week**

June 5, 2021 – January 1, 2022



# Feasibility of booster dose implementation in adolescents 12–15 years

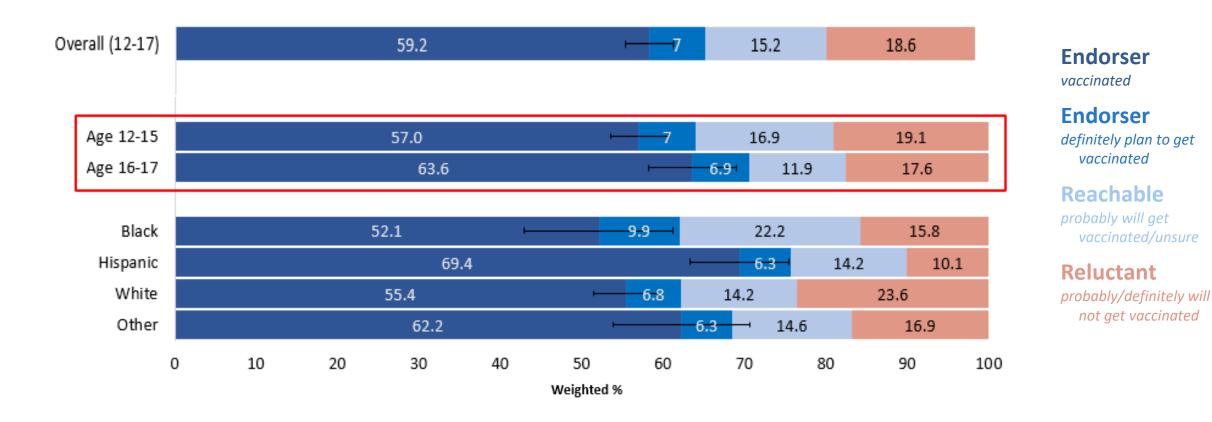
- Half of the 12–15-year-old age group are fully vaccinated
- Based on booster experience with other age groups, 1/3 of adolescent 12–15 may return for a booster dose shortly after recommendation
- Supply of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine is robust, and the "gray cap" will be easier to distribute and administration
- Demand for pharmacy appointments is high; broadening eligibility could strain this further

### **Evidence to Recommendations Framework** Booster doses of COVID-19 vaccines

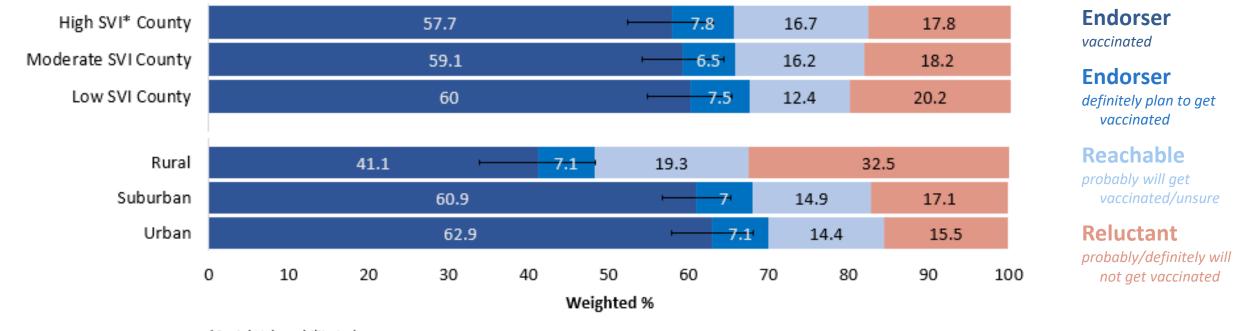


# Vaccination coverage and parental intent for adolescents aged 12-17 years by race and ethnicity

NIS-CCM – Oct 31, 2021 – Nov 27, 2021, n=3,055



#### Vaccination coverage and parental intent for adolescents aged 12–17 years by county of residence SVI\* and urbanicity NIS-CCM – Oct 31, 2021 – Nov 27, 2021, n=3,055



\*Social Vulnerability Index

CDC Preliminary & Unpublished data, National Immunization Survey, October 31, 2021 – November 27, 2021



There are noted disparities in vaccination coverage and parental intent for children aged 12–17 years by race/ethnicity and geographic location

# Summary



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# VaST assessment: Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine booster dose in 12–15-year-olds

- VaST reviewed the most recent data from three U.S. safety monitoring systems<sup>\*</sup>, including data on safety after the primary vaccination series in 12–15-year-olds and after booster doses in 16–24-year-olds (the youngest age group for which boosters were previously authorized)
- No new safety signals or concerns were identified
- At the present time, data do not suggest safety concerns regarding a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine booster dose for 12–15-year-olds, beyond those previously identified in older age groups

# **Work Group Interpretation**

#### Top priority remains vaccination of unvaccinated individuals

- Benefits of COVID-19 vaccine primary series outweigh risk across all sex and age groups

#### **Goals of COVID-19 vaccines:**

- Primary goal: Prevention of severe disease
- Secondary goals:

Maintaining workforce and healthcare capacity Reduce infection rates and risk of transmission Greater confidence in in-person learning Improved mental health with more social interactions Prevention of post-COVID conditions

# **Work Group Interpretation**

- Work Group **supported** use of boosters in adolescents 12–15 years of age
- Emphasized the importance of clear and consistent recommendations for all adolescents (12–17 years of age)
- Vaccine recommendations can be updated as needed, especially in rapidly evolving pandemic

#### **Evidence to Recommendations Framework**

Type of recommendation	We do not recommend the intervention	We recommend the intervention for individuals based on assessment of <b>benefits</b> and <b>risks</b>	We recommend the intervention
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# **Work Group Interpretation**

- Work Group discussed recommendation that adolescents 12–15 years of age <u>may receive</u> a booster dose, based on individual benefit-risk
  - Acknowledges limited data directly on the impact of boosters in adolescent population
  - In current Omicron surge, provides recommendation for boosters in a population that could have waning immunity due to both time since primary series and Omicron variant
- Work Group also discussed possible advantages of a recommendation that adolescents 12–15 years of age <u>should receive</u> a booster dose
  - Difficulty in defining individual benefit-risk balance and how it varies across population can be difficult for vaccine providers to communicate
  - In current Omicron surge, prevention of infection may have larger benefits that are difficult to measure (e.g. population-level protection, school attendance)

# Individual benefit-risk considerations for people who <u>may</u> receive a booster dose

- Potential **benefits** of booster dose
  - Reduced risk of SARS-CoV-2 infection, severe disease
  - May reduce transmission of SARS-CoV-2 to others
- Potential risks of booster dose
  - Rare risks of serious adverse events (e.g., myocarditis, pericarditis, TTS, GBS, anaphylaxis)
  - Common risks of transient local and systemic symptoms
- Individual risk factors for SARS-CoV-2 infection
  - Risk of exposure (occupational and institutional settings, e.g., healthcare workers, long term care settings)
  - Risk for infection (time since completion of primary series)
- Individual impacts of SARS-CoV-2 infection
  - Risk for severe infection (related to underlying conditions)
  - Risk associated with a person's circumstances (living with/caring for at-risk individuals or consequences of inability to meet obligations due to infection)

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# **Questions to ACIP**

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