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MS Health Alert Network (HAN) Alert

MESSAGE ID:	**MSHAN-20220217-00558-ALT (Health Alert)**
RECIPIENTS:	**All Physicians, Hospitals, ERs, ICPs, NPs, PAs, and Healthcare Providers – Statewide**
	Thursday, February 17, 2022
SUBJECT:	**Updated COVID-19 Vaccination Guidance for Immunocompromised Individuals or Individuals with Prior Receipt of Monoclonal Antibodies**

Dear Colleagues,

On Friday, February 11, 2022, CDC updated its COVID-19 vaccination guidance for moderate or severely immunocompromised individuals and individuals who have previously received passive COVID-19 antibody products (i.e., monoclonal antibodies). For details of all current CDC COVID-19 vaccination guidance, please review the CDC website Clinical Care Considerations for COVID-19 Vaccination | CDC.

- **CDC now recommends that individuals who are moderately or severely immunocompromised:**
  - **Receive an mRNA booster dose 3 months (instead of 5 months) after the last primary dose in their mRNA primary vaccine series.**
  - **If their primary vaccine series was a single dose of Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) vaccine, individuals should receive one additional dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine and one booster dose (preferably mRNA) for a total of 3 vaccine doses.**
  - **In addition, CDC clarified their recommendations to confirm that those immunocompromised individuals who have completed their primary series of 3 mRNA doses should receive an mRNA vaccine booster dose—to make a total of 4 doses**.
  - See COVID-19 Vaccines for Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised People | CDC for specific COVID-19 vaccine recommendations for Immunocompromised individuals by age group and vaccine.

- For individuals who have previously received passive COVID-19 antibody products (i.e., monoclonal antibody treatments), **CDC no longer recommends a 90-day waiting period after treatment before receiving COVID-19 vaccination**.

Regards,
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Alerting Message Specification Settings

Originating Agency:	Mississippi State Department of Health
Alerting Program:	MS Health Alert Network (MS HAN)
Message Identifier:	MSHAN-20220217-00558-ALT
Program (HAN) Type:	Health Alert
Status (Type):	Actual ()
Message Type:	Alert
Reference:	MSHAN-00558
Severity:	Unknown
Acknowledgement:	No
Sensitive:	Not Sensitive
Message Expiration:	Undetermined
Urgency:	Undetermined
Delivery Time:	600 minutes

Definition of Alerting Vocabulary and Message Specification Settings

Originating Agency:	A unique identifier for the agency originating the alert.
Alerting Program:	The program sending the alert or engaging in alerts and communications using PHIN Communication and Alerting (PCA) as a vehicle for their delivery.
Message Identifier:	A unique alert identifier that is generated upon alert activation (MSHAN-yyymmdd-hhmm-TTT (**ALT=Health Alert**, **ADV=Health Advisory**, **UPD=Health Update**, **MSG/INFO=Message/Info Service**).
Program (HAN) Type:	Categories of Health Alert Messages.
Health Alert:	Conveys the highest level of importance; warrants immediate action or attention.
Health Advisory:	Provides important information for a specific incident or situation; may not require immediate action.
Health Update:	Provides updated information regarding an incident or situation; unlikely to require immediate action.
Health Info Service:	Provides Message / Notification of general public health information; unlikely to require immediate action.

Status (Type):

	Actual:	Communication or alert refers to a live event
	Exercise:	Designated recipients must respond to the communication or alert
	Test:	Communication or alert is related to a technical, system test and should be disregarded

Message Type:

	Alert:	Indicates an original Alert
	Update:	Indicates prior alert has been Updated and/or superseded

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| Cancel: | Indicates prior alert has been cancelled |
| Error: | Indicates prior alert has been retracted |

Reference: For a communication or alert with a Message Type of "Update" or "Cancel", this attribute contains the unique Message Identifier of the original communication or alert being updated or cancelled. "n/a" = Not Applicable.

Severity:

Extreme:	Extraordinary threat to life or property
Severe:	Significant threat to life or property
Moderate:	Possible threat to life or property
Minor:	Minimal threat to life or property
Unknown:	Unknown threat to life or property

Acknowledgement: Indicates whether an acknowledgement on the part of the recipient is required to confirm that the alert was received, and the timeframe in which a response is required (Yes or No).

Sensitive:

| Sensitive: | Indicates the alert contains sensitive content |
| Not Sensitive: | Indicates non-sensitive content |

Message Expiration: Undetermined.

Urgency: Undetermined. Responsive action should be taken immediately.

Delivery Time: Indicates the timeframe for delivery of the alert (15, 60, 1440, 4320 minutes (.25, 1, 24, 72 hours)).

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