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Community COVID-19 Vaccine Availability

Approximately 1 in 3 Americans, age 65 and older, who completed their initial vaccination round still have not received a first booster shot, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This data has dismayed researchers, who note this age group continues to be at the highest risk for serious illness and death from COVID-19.



People age 65 and older account for about 75% of U.S. COVID-19 deaths. And some risk persists, even for seniors who have completed an initial two-dose series of the Moderna or Pfizer vaccine or received one dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. According to a KFF analysis of CDC data. among older people who died of COVID-19 in January, 31% had completed a first vaccination round but had not been boosted. The failure to boost more of this group has resulted in the loss of tens of thousands of lives, reports Dr. Eric Topol, founder and director of the Scripps Research Translational Institute. Topal says, "If the CDC would say, 'This could save your life,' that would help a lot." Many health advocates agree that the country has lost the momentum it had during the first months of the covid vaccination campaign.

Get boosted!

Whether you need your initial vaccination(s) or booster, there are several options to schedule it. Go here for details on where to get scheduled.

Sincerely,

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