

The Latest on the COVID Booster-

The State is reviewing the actions by Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) last Friday recommending a third dose of Moderna or Pfizer vaccine for some individuals with compromised immune systems including individuals who have:

- Been receiving active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood
- Received an organ transplant and are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)
- Advanced or untreated HIV infection
- Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that may suppress your immune response

We are urging Townsend residents who have questions about whether a third dose of vaccine is recommended for them to contact their medical provider to discuss these recommendations.

Link to CDC Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines Currently Authorized in the United States:

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html>

Thank you for your support and patience.

Townsend Board of Health