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**9 Dec: CDC endorses booster vaccination for individuals ages 16 and older, including those who attained natural immunity from prior SARS-CoV-2 infection (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/booster-shot.html>)**

**10 Dec: TMD Office of the Joint Surgeon (OJS) provided mailbox ([TXARNG-OJS-ImmunizationExemptions@army.mil](mailto:TXARNG-OJS-ImmunizationExemptions@army.mil)) for receiving vaccine exemption requests**

**16 Dec: CDC endorsed updated recommendations made by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) for the prevention of COVID-19, expressing a clinical preference for individuals to receive an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine (i.e., Pfizer/BioNTech or Moderna) over Johnson & Johnson's COVID-19 vaccine (<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s1216-covid-19-vaccines.html>)**

**20 Dec: CDC published knowledge about Omicron variant (<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/variants/omicron-variant.html>) and provided information for vaccination of children ages 5 and older (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/planning/children/10-things-to-know.html>)**

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