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Why should I boost?



The immune response wanes several months after you first complete vaccination, irrespective of the type of vaccine.



A booster will top this up and protect against severe COVID-19.



A booster dose of J&J is both effective and safe.

Only 12 working days to go.



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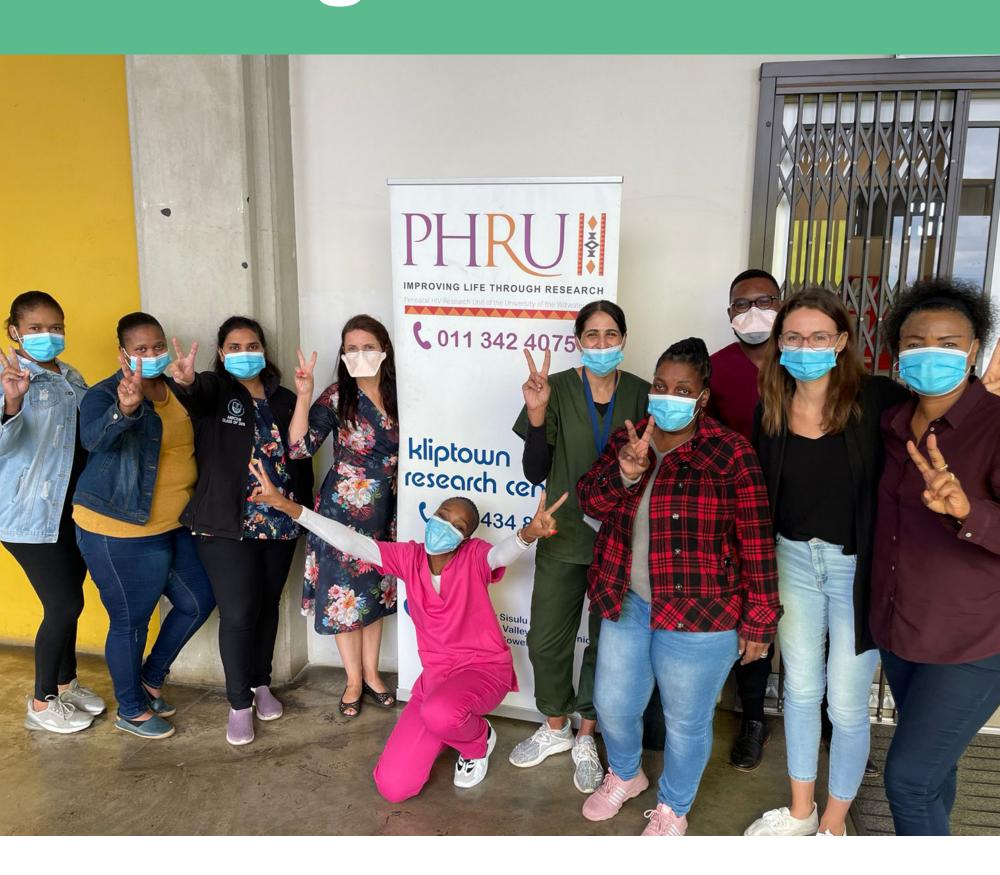
But will this protect me against Omicron?

We track vaccine responses weekly. J&J has protected against severe disease for other variants like Beta and Delta, so is likely to protect against severe disease caused by Omicron.



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Join your colleagues and get boosted!



Staff from Kliptown Research Centre in Soweto celebrate getting their boosters and bounce back strong after a year of working long hours, having their clinic looted and battling load shedding.



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But should I rather wait for Pfizer?

A request to boost people who received J&J with a Pfizer has not yet been submitted to SAHPRA.

The JnJ booster produces a strong and durable immune response.

With a 4th wave here, the best booster is the one in your arm.

Please remember that participation in Sisonke in entirely voluntary and ultimately it's your choice.



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As a scientist whose life's work is in vaccines, I want to encourage health workers to take up this booster urgently. I was happy to, and urge you to do the same.



Professor Vinodh Edward, Chief Executive Officer, The Aurum Institute



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No invitation SMS?

Phone the National Coronavirus Call Centre to check your cell phone details



0800 029 999 (Mon-Fri 7am-8pm;

Weekends & public holidays 8am-6pm)

You may also request a new SMS invitation

OR



Go to

http://sisonke2.samrc.ac.za/#/

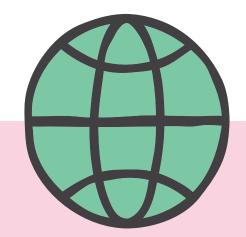
Enter your ID or passport details and follow the links.



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Not sure where to get your jab?

More then 350 sites are providing Sisonke booster vaccinations.



Please visit Find my Jab for your closest vaccination site

http://findmyjab.co.za