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### EXPANSION OF COVID-19 BOOSTER SCHEDULING AND CAPTURING ON EVDS

The National Department of Health (NDoH) has announced that individuals eligible for COVID-19 booster doses can now receive a booster every 6 months, following their previous booster. This is particularly important for people at increased risk of severe COVID-19.

The Electronic Vaccination Data System (EVDS) has been updated to accommodate the recording of the administration of additional 6-month COVID-19 booster doses.

**Individuals who wish to receive the COMIRNATY® (PFIZER) COVID-19 vaccine as their booster dose must do so before 31 October 2023.** Persons older than 18 years will still have access to the COVID-19 vaccine Janssen® from 1 November 2023.

Please note that all booster vaccinations administered from 23 August 2023 onwards must be recorded retrospectively on EVDS.

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