



Guidance Note 9

Guidance on Recording COVID-19 Vaccination on PharmaVax

Please refer to:

NIO [FAQs COVID-19 Vaccine - HSE.ie](#)

NIO [Clinical Guidance for COVID-19 Vaccination Influenza](#)

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Primary immunisation schedule, NIAC recommends:

For those aged 5 years and above the recommended primary schedule now consists of a single dose of age-appropriate COVID-19 mRNA vaccine.

Primary immunisation schedule for all those who are **immunocompromised**, NIAC recommends:

For those with immunocompromising conditions aged 6 months and older, the recommended primary series consists of two doses of an age-appropriate COVID-19 vaccine with an interval of 4 weeks between doses*.

A third dose (as an Additional Dose) may be administered following instruction from a relevant specialist physician. **The interval recommended is an eight weeks interval between doses two and three, if three doses are required.

*A minimum interval of three weeks between Dose 1 and Dose 2 dose may be used if there is urgency to achieve protection.

**A minimum interval of 4 weeks between dose 2 and dose 3 may be used if there is urgency to achieve protection.

Booster immunisation schedule, NIAC recommends booster dose in specific at-risk groups. The most recent NIAC recommendations are available from [NIAC Immunisation Guidelines for Ireland](#)

Please refer to the table below showing the sequencing of Vaccine Schedules:

Immunocompromised Status	1 st Course	2 nd Course	3 rd Course	4 th Course
Immunocompromised	Primary Course (2 Doses)	Additional Dose	Booster 1	Booster 2
Non-immunocompromised	Primary Course (1 Dose)	Booster 1	Booster 2	Booster 3

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Select Vaccination Course from **Course** drop down, either Primary Course, Additional Course or Booster Course

The screenshot shows the 'Vaccination Details' form. The 'Vaccine' field is set to 'COVID-19 mRNA Omicron XBB.1.5 Vaccine Pfizer-BioNTech 30 micrograms/ 0.3 milliliter dose dispersion for injection'. The 'Batch' field is 'HD9871, USE BEFORE 29/11/2024'. The 'Course' dropdown menu is open, showing three options: 'Primary Course', 'Additional Dose', and 'Booster Course'. The 'Dose' field is currently empty. The 'Body Site' field is also empty. At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'Save', 'Save and add another vaccination', and 'Cancel'.

For a Primary Dose

In **Course** drop down, select Primary Course

In the **Dose** drop down click on Primary Course Dose 1

For Immunocompromised clients select Primary Course 2 if Primary Course Dose 1 has already been administered and the minimum interval between doses has elapsed.

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For an Additional Dose

In **Course** drop down, select Additional Course

In **Dose** drop down select Additional Dose

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For a Booster Dose

In **Course** drop down, select **Booster Course**

In **Dose** drop down select **Booster Dose**

Vaccination Details

COVID-19 mRNA Omicron XBB.1.5 Vaccine Pfizer-BioNTech 30 micrograms/ 0.3 milliliter dose dispersion for injection

Vaccine: Cominaty Omicron XBB.1.5 (12 years and over) (Pfizer-BioNTech)

Reason why minimum time has not lapsed

Batch: HD9871, USE BEFORE 29/11/2024

Course: **Booster Course**

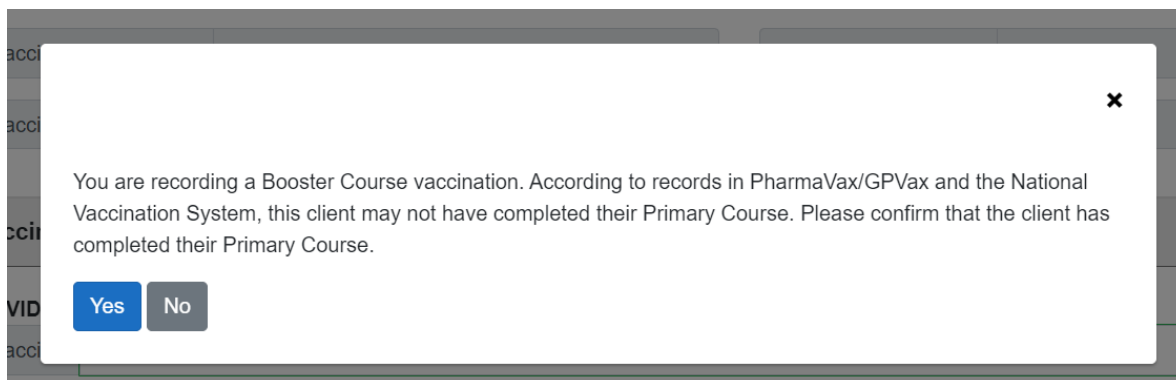
Dose: **Booster Dose (0.3 ml)**

Body Site: Select...

Risk Factors: Age 65 and over

Buttons: Save, Save and add another vaccination, Cancel

Non-immunocompromised clients now only receive a 1 Dose Primary Course. When a Booster Dose record is saved for a non-immunocompromised client the below message will be displayed asking users to confirm that the Primary Course has been completed.



If the non-immunocompromised client has received at least one Primary Course Dose already, then users should click on the 'Yes' button to continue.