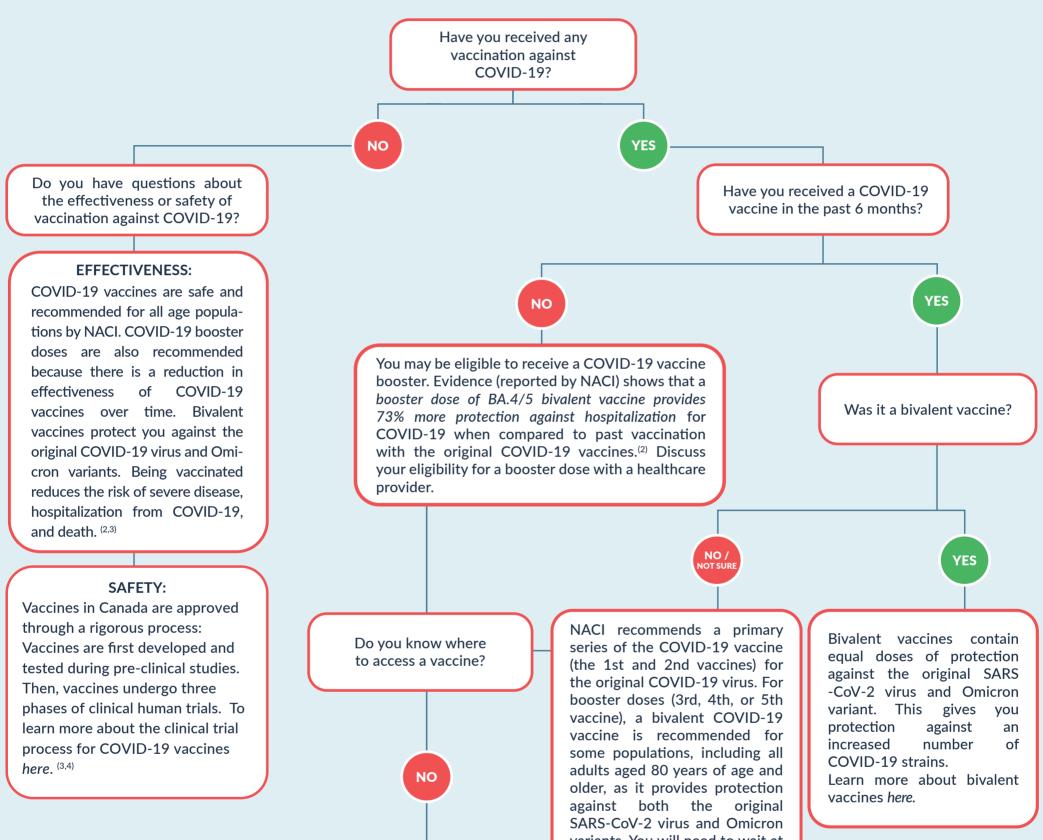


COVID-19 remains prevalent in Canada as it does around the world. Evidence has shown that age, alongside chronic underlying conditions, are both risk factors for serious and life-threatening outcomes from COVID-19 infection. Only 24% of the Canadian population, many of whom are older adults, have completed their primary series of COVID-19 vaccinations or have received a booster dose in the past 6 months. ⁽¹⁾ COVID-19 vaccines are effective at preventing severe disease, hospitalization, and death from infection. However, protection against mild and moderate disease may reduce over time, especially amongst at-risk populations including older adults. For the best protection, it is recommended to stay up-to-date with COVID-19 vaccinations including booster doses. The International Federation on Ageing (IFA) has created an easy-to-use guide to help you make an informed decision about COVID-19 vaccinations. This guide uses information from the Canadian National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI).⁽²⁾

Being vaccinated against COVID-19 is an individual decision. Bivalent vaccines provide protection against both the original SARS-CoV-2 virus as well as Omicron variants of the COVID-19 disease, therefore increasing the protection against severe outcomes from infection. ⁽²⁾ You can follow the guide below to help you make an informed decision about COVID-19 vaccination.



Book an appointment in the Yukon at https://yukon.ca/en/appointments#appointments-for-people-12-and-older or by calling your local health care centre.

variants. You will need to wait at least 6 months after the last COVID-19 vaccine dose or COVID-19 infection to receive a booster dose unless recommended otherwise by a healthcare professional.⁽²⁾

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