

November 22, 2022

SUBJECT: Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine Product Notification

Hello Health Care Partners,

Please note that the Monovalent Adult Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine inventory has changed from the product with a purple cap and label border, to the product with a gray cap and label border. While both products offer the same protection against COVID-19 for individuals 12 and older, and contain 6 doses of 0.3 mL per vial, there are differences in storage, handling and preparation for administration.

**Action:** Note the following differences in the storage and handling between these two Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine products and use each accordingly.

	Purple Cap and Label Border	Grey Cap and Label Border
Dilution required	Yes	No
Refrigerated storage time (2-8 degrees C)	31 days	10 weeks
Room temperature storage time (8-25 degrees C)	2 hours prior to dilution	12 hours prior to first puncture
Viability after first puncture (2-25 degrees C)	6 hours	12 hours

As always, please note the expiration date of the product you receive will be on the packing slip. The expiration date on the packing slip should always be adhered to, regardless of the date printed on the vial.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation & Distribution Team  
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