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CDC advisors raise concerns about 'overvaccination' and ask the White House for more data to show boosters are needed



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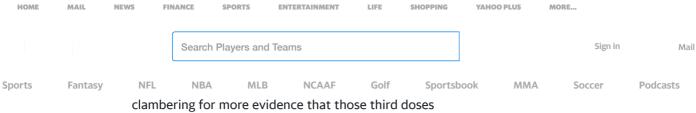


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- The White House says Americans should start getting boosters of Pfizer and Moderna as of September 20.
- But leading experts who regulate vaccinations in the US worry we don't yet have evidence to support that move.
- Some experts say waiting even longer for boosters could be more effective.
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The Biden Administration has announced that, starting on September 20, third doses of Pfizer and Moderna's COVID-19 vaccines should start to

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are really needed at this juncture for everyone.

"If we're going to move in this direction, I want to see the data," registered nurse Lynn Bahta, who serves on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's independent advisory committee on vaccines, said during a meeting earlier this week.

The timing of booster shots matters to our collective immunity against COVID-19, and it's not clear yet to many top experts, including those working inside the CDC and FDA, that most people (aside from the elderly or immunocompromised) need a third COVID-19 shot at eight months postvaccination.

On Friday, the New York Times reported that the heads of both the CDC and FDA are now urging the White House to walk back its booster recommendation.

Their warnings echo the panel of independent advisors to the CDC, who met earlier this week and raised concerns about rolling out boosters before we have the data for it - risking "over-vaccination."

The White House announced boosters for all - but the FDA and CDC are not on board yet



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