

Call federal reps: demand they speak out against FDA decision to limit access to updated COVID vaccines

Background

The Food and Drug Administration has announced dangerous [changes to the approval process for updated COVID vaccines](#). The changes will greatly limit access to updated COVID vaccines for many Americans.

The Department of Health and Human Services has signaled that they will [only approve updated COVID vaccinations](#) for people 65+ or those who can prove they have high-risk underlying conditions. While the COVID vaccine may still be available for adults 65 and older and for children and adults with certain underlying medical conditions, the new HHS guidance calls for [new clinical trials](#) to determine its efficacy. In 2024 the CDC said these additional trials were not necessary because the safety of the vaccine has already been confirmed. These new unnecessary clinical trials are expensive and time consuming for drug manufacturers, and they will delay vaccine deliveries and raise the cost to consumers. Even more worrisome is that the HHS has indicated that the vaccine will possibly be [pulled off the market completely](#).

Call Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer - (518) 431-4070 or (202) 224-6542

Call Senate Majority Leader John Thune - (202) 224-2321

Call Senator Elizabeth Warren - (202) 224-4543 or (413) 788-2690

Call Senator Ed Markey - (202) 224-2742 or (413) 785-4610

Call Jim McGovern - (413) 341-8700 or (202) 225-6101

SCRIPT: Hi, my name is [NAME] and I'm a voter from [CITY, ZIP]. (NB, when calling Schumer & Thune, state that you are calling them in their leadership capacity.)

The Food and Drug Administration has announced dangerous [changes to the approval process for updated COVID vaccines](#) that will greatly limit access to updated COVID vaccines for many Americans.

I'm calling to demand that [REP/SEN NAME] publicly and forcefully speak out against decisions by the FDA to limit updated COVID vaccines to certain age or risk groups, or worse yet, to pull the vaccine off the market completely. The FDA and HHS should follow the science and allow

Americans to get the COVID vaccine, rather than adding unnecessary risk to the health and safety of the American public.

Thank you for your support on this important and time sensitive issue.