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ELIGIBILITY FOR THE MONKEPOX VACCINE (JYNNEOS) - SAN FRANCISCO CRITERIA

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ELIGIBILITY

- Gay, bisexual, and other men or trans people who have sex with men, who have had more than 1 sexual partner in the past 14 days
- Sex workers of any sexual orientation or gender identity
- Persons who have had close contact within the past 14 days with someone with suspected or confirmed monkeypox
- Persons who had close contact with others at a venue or event or within a social group within the past 14 days where a suspected or confirmed monkeypox case was identified. This includes persons who received notice from a venue or event of a potential exposure within the past 14 days
- Laboratory workers who routinely perform monkeypox virus testing
- Clinicians who have had a high-risk occupational exposure (e.g., examined monkeypox lesions or collected monkeypox specimens without using recommended personal protective equipment)

ELIGIBILITY FOR 2ND DOSES WHILE FIRST DOSE PRIORITIZATION IS IN EFFECT

- *Persons eligible per the above list who have moderate to severe immune compromise (due to lower likelihood of developing immunity after a single Jynneos dose)*

DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATIONS

First Dose Prioritization. *Based on available evidence on vaccine effectiveness, the limited supply of Jynneos vaccine, and the need to immunize as many eligible persons as possible, San Francisco is prioritizing first doses of the 2-dose Jynneos series and, with few exceptions, deferring second doses until supply improves. The exceptions are that persons who have moderate to severe immune compromise should currently be offered the second dose in the series when it is due.*



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Moderate to Severe Immune Compromise. See [moderate to severe immune compromise definition](#) (same as for COVID vaccination). These individuals may not be able to mount a full immune response to the first dose. To reduce barriers to immunization, if patient medical records are unavailable or incomplete, the patient's attestation of moderate to severe immune compromise is acceptable.

San Francisco Nexus. To be eligible for vaccine in San Francisco the person should live or work in SF or the monkeypox exposure occurred in SF.

Series. The vaccination series with Jynneos consists of 2 doses given 4 weeks apart, both for post-exposure prophylaxis and pre-exposure vaccination. Those whose 2nd dose is delayed will not have to restart the series.

Timing of Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP). Current CDC recommendation is that PEP initiated within 4 days of exposure can prevent monkeypox illness whereas PEP initiated within 5-14 days after exposure, and before symptom onset, can reduce symptoms but may not prevent illness. There is no evidence that PEP is effective when given beyond 14 days after exposure. In persons who may have had multiple monkeypox exposures, PEP can be timed from the last exposure.

PEP in Persons Who have Symptoms. Many non-monkeypox syndromes can be consistent with early signs/symptoms of monkeypox. A person otherwise eligible for PEP who has a nonspecific rash or nonspecific symptoms that could possibly be consistent with early monkeypox, may still be able to receive PEP if it is warranted per the clinician's judgement. However, if the symptoms are highly suggestive of monkeypox, the vaccine should not be administered.

Persons Who Have Had Monkeypox Diagnosed. Current CDC recommendation is that having monkeypox infection likely confers immune protection. Persons who have had monkeypox diagnosed since May 2022 are not recommended for vaccination, and those who have received a first dose of Jynneos are not recommended to receive a second dose.

Close Contacts and Exposures to Monkeypox in Healthcare and non-Healthcare Settings Defined.

Adapted from: [Monitoring People Who Have Been Exposed | Monkeypox | Poxvirus | CDC](#)

High Risk exposures:

- Direct contact between a person's skin or mucous membranes and the skin, lesions, or bodily fluids of a person with suspected or confirmed Monkeypox. Examples: any sexual contact



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including kissing, oral-anal or oral-genital contact or insertive or receptive vaginal or anal sex; ungloved contact with rash or lesions; saliva splashes to the eyes or oral cavity.

- Direct contact with contaminated materials (e.g., linens, clothing) of a person with suspected or confirmed Monkeypox.
- (Healthcare settings) Being inside the room of a patient with confirmed or suspected Monkeypox or within 6 feet of such a patient during any procedures that may create aerosols from oral secretions, skin lesions, or resuspension of dried exudates (e.g., shaking of soiled linens), without wearing an N95 or equivalent respirator and eye protection

Intermediate Risk exposures:

- (Healthcare settings) Being within 6 feet for 3 hours or more of an unmasked patient with suspected or confirmed Monkeypox without wearing, at a minimum, a surgical mask
- (Healthcare settings) Activities resulting in contact between sleeves and other parts of an individual's clothing and the patient's skin lesions or bodily fluids, or their soiled linens or dressings (e.g., turning, bathing, or assisting with transfer) while wearing gloves but not wearing a gown.