



# COVID-19 'ER

What did you get?	When can you get the booster?	Who is eligible for a booster?
Pfizer	6 months after 2nd Dose	Ages 18 or older
Moderna		
Johnson & Johnson	2 months after single dose	Ages 18 or older







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As we look towards the potential coming of the Omicron variant, CareSouth Carolina is strongly encouraging you to get your COVID-19 booster shot if you haven't done so already.



Individuals who received the Moderna or Pfizer vaccine can get a booster vaccine six months after being fully vaccinated.

Individuals who received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine can get a booster two months after receiving the shot. Emerging evidence shows that the booster shot offers more protection from Omicron.

The CDC recommends everyone ages 18 & older get the booster shot and these can help strengthen your immunity against the virus and its variants.

"Omicron appears to be more transmittable than the other variants up to this point," CareSouth Carolina Chief of Nursing Tracie Thigpen said. "It is important to receive your booster vaccine to increase your body's ability to fight off the virus."

CareSouth Carolina will be administering the Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine booster shots at our office locations for anyone ages 18 and older. Appointments and walk-ins are welcome.

The schedule and information for CareSouth Carolina's vaccine clinics can be found on our website at caresouth-carolina.com.

The MOBY units are also providing COVID-19 vaccines and Flu shots at community locations. The schedule for these events can be found at on our website at caresouth-carolina.com. Walk-ins are welcome and you do not need an appointment.

**MEDICAL LOCATIONS:** Hartsville • Society Hill • Bennettsville • Bishopville • Cheraw • Chesterfield • Dillon • Lake View • Latta • McColl **PHARMACY LOCATIONS:** Hartsville • Society Hill • Bennettsville • Bishopville • Cheraw • Latta • McColl To make an appointment, please call 866.498.0399. www.caresouth-carolina.com



### CareSouth Carolina Welcomes Newest Provider in Bennettsville Main Office



CareSouth Carolina welcomes Gilberto Sanchez, FNP-C, as the newest provider in the Bennettsville Main office.

A native of Marlboro County, Sanchez said he is looking forward to being back home in Wallace after spending several years away from the area.

"I'm really looking forward to being back closer to my family," Sanchez said. "CareSouth Carolina is wellknown and I really wanted to give back to my community. This made it a perfect fit." Sanchez attended Francis Marion University where he received his Bachelor's degree in Nursing and then

later earned a Master's degree in Nursing—Family Nurse Practitioner—at South University in Savannah, GA. Sanchez has served as a Family Nurse Practitioner at several different organizations including Optum

Gilberto Sanchez. FNP-C

(Greensboro, NC); Matrix Medical (Scottsdale, AZ); Wheel Health (Austin, TX); Medfirst Primary and Urgent Care (Indian Land, SC); and MinuteClinc (Rock Hill, SC). Back in Marlboro County, Sanchez said he is most looking forward to building relationships with patients and helping them to achieve their health goals.

"I don't meet a stranger," Sanchez said. "I am very open to communication with my patients and always there to answer questions. Being a nurse at my core, I really value that personal connection with patients and that's one of the things I love about being back in Bennettsville. You get to know people and their families and build relationships with patients." Outside of work, Sanchez enjoys spending time with his family, pets and traveling.

## New CSC Community Pharmacy in Chesterfield NOW OPEN

CareSouth Carolina opened its newest CSC Community Pharmacy inside the Chesterfield Center at 204 Perry Wiley Way on Wednesday, December 1st.

The CSC Community Pharmacy is a full-service pharmacy that looks to provide excellent care through consultation and affordable prices on prescriptions. The community pharmacy takes all major insurances and is open to all, even those who are not patients of CareSouth Carolina. The Chesterfield pharmacy also has a drive-thru to make things more convenient for patients getting their medications filled.



The pharmacy has four staff members, all Chesterfield natives, who are looking forward to serving their hometown community. Emily Caskey, PharmD, is the Pharmacist-In-Charge.

"This is an opportunity for patients to get their care and medicine all under one roof," Caskey said. "If any questions or concerns arise, they are handled in-house and right away. This gives you a fast and convenient option for your medicine, but we also want to emphasize that our pharmacy is open to everyone. Even if you're not a CareSouth Carolina patient, you can still use our services."

In addition, CSC Community Pharmacies are a part of the 340B Program, which opens the door for a multitude of programs and opportunities to save money.

"CareSouth Carolina is focused on patient care and that's exactly what the opening of this pharmacy will provide," Caskey said. "This brings more access to pharmaceutical care to everyone in the Chesterfield community." The CSC Community Pharmacy is open from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, please call 843-927-1030.

If your office does not have a CSC Community Pharmacy, CareSouth Carolina offers next-day delivery for medications a CareSouth Carolina provider's office for convenient pickup.

If you'd like to know more about our friendly, fast & affordable pharmacy services, please talk with your medical team today!

# CareSouth Carolina & Care Innovations recognized World Aids Day

World AIDS day is an event hosted every year on December 1st to unite and raise awareness of HIV/AIDS in our nation. This occasion served as a memorial for those who have lost their fight to this pandemic caused by HIV/AIDS.

There are approximately 1.2 million people living with HIV in the U.S. and about 14 percent of them don't know it.

CareSouth Carolina, through Care Innovations, provides comprehensive HIV/ AIDS primary health care for individuals in Chesterfield, Darlington, Lee and Marlboro Counties. These services are made possible through a federal Ryan White Part C grant. Patients can have a "one-stop" shop experience at CareSouth Carolina. The level of services are exemplary, compassionate and catered to the individual and his or her needs.

