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US expands Pfizer COVID boosters, opens extra dose to age 16

By LAURAN NEERGAARD and MIKE STOBBE
Associated Press

U.S. health authorities again expanded the nation's booster campaign Thursday, opening extra doses of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine to several million 16- and 17-year-olds.

The U.S. and many other nations already were urging adults to get booster shots to pump up immunity that can wane months after vaccination, calls that intensified with the discovery of the worrisome new omicron variant.

On Thursday, the Food and Drug Administration gave emergency authorization for 16- and 17-year-olds to get a third dose of the vaccine made by Pfizer and its partner BioNTech — once they're six months past their last dose. And hours later, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lifted the last barrier as Dr. Rochelle Walensky, the agency's director, issued a statement strongly encouraging those teens to get their booster as soon as it's time.

Boosters are important considering that protection against infection wanes over time and "we're facing a variant that has the potential to require more immunity to be protected," Walensky told The Associated Press.

About 200 million Americans are fully vaccinated, including about 4.7 million 16- and 17-year-olds,



Ariel Quero, 16, left, a student at Lehman High School, reacts after getting the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine from Katrina Taormina, right, on July 27 in New York. The U.S. is expanding COVID-19 boosters, ruling that 16- and 17-year-olds can get a third dose of Pfizer's vaccine. The U.S. and many other nations already were urging adults to get booster shots to pump up immunity that can wane months after vaccination, calls that intensified with the discovery of the worrisome new omicron variant. On Thursday, the FDA gave emergency authorization for 16- and 17-year-olds to get a third dose of the vaccine made by Pfizer and its partner BioNTech — if it's been six months since their last shot. (AP photo)

many of whom got their first shots in the spring and would be eligible for a booster.

"Vaccination and getting a booster when eligible, along with other preventive measures like masking and avoiding large crowds and poorly ventilated spaces, remain our most effective methods for fighting COVID-19," Dr. Janet Woodcock, acting FDA commissioner, said in a statement.

The Pfizer vaccine is the only option in the U.S. for anyone younger than 18, either for initial vaccination or for use as a booster. It's not yet clear if or when teens younger than 16 might need a third Pfizer dose. But Walensky said the CDC and FDA would closely watch data on 12- to 15-year-olds because if they eventually need boosters, "we again will want to act swiftly."

Vaccinations for children as

young as 5 just began last month, using special low-dose Pfizer shots. By this week, about 5 million 5- to 11-year-olds had gotten a first dose.

The extra-contagious delta variant is causing nearly all COVID-19 infections in the U.S., and in much of the world. It's not yet clear how vaccines will hold up against the new and markedly different omicron mutant. But there's strong evidence that boosters offer a jump in protection against delta-caused infections, currently the biggest threat.

"The booster vaccination increases the level of immunity and dramatically improves protection against COVID-19 in all age groups studied so far," BioNTech CEO Ugur Sahin said in a statement.

Complicating the decision to extend boosters to 16- and 17-year-olds is that the Pfizer shot — and a similar vaccine made by Moderna — have been linked to a rare side effect. Called myocarditis, it's a type of heart inflammation seen mostly in younger men and teen boys.

The FDA said rising COVID-19 cases in the U.S. mean the benefits of boosters greatly outweighed the potential risk from the rare side effect, especially as the coronavirus itself can cause more serious heart inflammation.

Health officials in Israel, which already gives boosters to teens, have said the side effect continues to be rare with third doses.

Diocese from 1A

gan's Upper Peninsula, is the first to seek to deny them access to baptism and confirmation.

A statement posted Thursday on the diocese's website about the policy states in part that the "Church teaches that persons experiencing feelings of same-sex attraction or gender dysphoria is not sinful, but freely acting upon them is."

The diocese's policy comes in an absence of significant guidance from the Vatican or the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, which have said little about transgender individuals and the sacraments.

Patrick Hornbeck, a theology professor at Fordham University, said many Catholic leaders have recently taken to setting lines beyond which they believe it's not possible for a person to be in good standing within the church.

He said the recent debate among the U.S. bishops over whether President Joe Biden and other Catholic politicians who support abortion rights can receive Communion exemplifies that trend.

"The Diocese of Marquette seems to be adding fuel to that particular fire by saying that beliefs about gender and gender transition also fall into that category," Hornbeck said.

Schools from 1A

staff at about 1:30 p.m. that day.

The district then went into "shelter in place," during which students and staff stay in their classrooms with the doors locked. Under this procedure, leaving classrooms is permitted only with administrative escort, and normal teaching activities still take place.

The Newberry-based district said it worked with law enforcement to plan for an orderly and safe dismissal, with law enforcement stationed outside and inside the school. Dismissal procedures were altered to involve smaller groups to assist with supervision. The building also was cleared and locked.

TAS said it canceled school on Thursday and today to ensure the safety of everyone and to gather information for the investigation. School was to resume on Monday.

The district thanked everyone for their patience during the Wednesday dismissal.

"The district especially extends a sincere thank you to all TAS staff as they stepped into roles that educators typically do not have to face," Superintendent Stacy A. Price said in the release. "They kept students in classrooms moving forward in the day. When plans needed to change, they worked together and communicated well to get things done."

Munising Public Schools reported on its website on Thursday that about 10:30 a.m. that day, a handwritten threat was found in a bathroom at the Munising Middle/High School. The Munising City Police was contacted immediately and investigated the written threat.

Both the Munising Middle/High School and Mather Elementary School went into lockdown mode for the safety of the students and staff, the district said.

In a separate incident, which took place at approximately 11 a.m. Thursday, MPS was notified of a threat in a video that a student

had made. Munising City Police began a separate investigation into the video, resulting in a student being removed from school and released into the custody of a parent. A report will be filed with the Alger County Prosecutor's Office for possible charges, MPS said.

School officials and the Munising City Police deemed the handwritten threat to not be credible, but the incident still is being investigated. As a precautionary measure, police were to remain at the middle/high school for the remainder of the school day, with school safety protocols still in place.

The Associated Press reported that students and a teacher were shot at Oxford High School in downstate Oxford on Nov. 30, and that Ethan Crumbley, a 15-year-old sophomore at the school, was arrested at the school and has been charged as an adult with murder, terrorism and other crimes. His parents, James and Jennifer Crumbley, later were charged with involuntary manslaughter and

arrested.

The parents of a 17-year-old girl who was shot in the neck at the school during the mass shooting that left four students dead filed a pair of lawsuits, the AP reported. The lawsuits seek \$100 million each against the Oxford school district, Superintendent Tim Throne, high school principal Steven Wolf, the dean of students, two counselors, two teachers and a staff member, saying on Thursday that the violence could have been prevented.

Personal-injury lawyers have expressed doubt that the school district could be successfully sued for letting Crumbley stay in school, according to the AP story, because Michigan law sets a high bar to wring liability out of public schools and other arms of government.

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Council from 1A

would be implemented and decided to take a general wait-and-see approach toward how the businesses would settle in with other communities.

"There was a lot of concern about what that was going to look like in cities," said Mayor Lindsay Bean during the meeting. "It (marijuana businesses) did not bring, to my awareness, the trouble that people thought it might."

The move to possibly allow marijuana dispensaries comes after other communities, such as Marquette and Negaunee, have seen local businesses such as The Fire Station and Lume have success running their businesses in the area.

"We do have people who are literally champing at the bit to move on this, which is pretty exciting," Bean said.

Cognition tasting room

The city council also unanimously approved two measures which would allow Cognition Brewing Company to open a tasting room at Grace Episcopal Church on North Street in Ishpeming.

The first measure was the first reading of a recommendation from the planning commission regarding the rezoning of the Episcopal church grounds to make them acceptable for a working partnership with Cognition, which was represented via Zoom by owner Jay Clancy, that would allow them to operate from the in-

side of the church. The second piece of business was an application which sought the council's approval of the permit which would allow Kognisjón Bryggeri, LLC, also known as Cognition Brewery, to sell their product on the premises.

"It's great that they (Cognition) are one step closer to returning to the Ishpeming community," said council member Jason Chapman. "We encourage the community to support Cognition and thank Jay Clancy for partnering with Grace Episcopal Church and creating a new partnership."

Other business
The council unanimously adopted a resolution "supporting the cause of protecting democracy, promoting policies that protect access to the ballot for voters and building on the progress of the 2020 election."

President of the League of Women Voters of Marquette County Darlene Allen and Secretary and Director of Advocacy Joanna Mitchell spoke during public comment about the measure and petitioned the council to pass the resolution.

The council also voted to renew the health care plan for city employees that they had for 2021 after being briefed on different options via Zoom from 44 North agent Vince Babcock.

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