## LTC Update Message – 2<sup>nd</sup> Booster Dose

On Tuesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, FDA authorized a 2<sup>nd</sup> COVID-19 booster dose for certain populations. CDC followed with a press release and updated clinical guidance to give some individuals the **option** to receive a second booster dose of mRNA Vaccine. These individuals include:

- People ages 50 years and older who received an initial COVID-19 booster dose (regardless of which vaccine was used) at least 4 months ago;
- People ages 12 years and older who are moderately or severely immunocompromised who received an initial COVID-19 booster dose (regardless of which vaccine was used) at least 4 months ago; and
- People ages 18 years and older who received both a primary dose and a booster dose of J&J/Janssen COVID-19 vaccine at least 4 months ago.

MDHHS wants to remind long term care facilities that the Michigan National Guard (MING) is ready and willing to assist with vaccination clinics for any eligible residents who want a 2<sup>nd</sup> COVID booster dose, as well as any staff or residents in need of any COVID-19 vaccine. Currently, MING is able to conduct clinics through May 20<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the MDHHS LTC email address at MDHHS-COVID-LongTermCare@michigan.gov for any additional questions or concerns, or if your facility needs assistance in vaccinating your residents. Thank you for all of your hard work in protecting Michigan's most vulnerable residents from COVID-19.

Please don't hesitate to let us know if you have any guestions.