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## Memorandum

**To:** Ajay Desai, Director, Division of Retirement and Benefits

**From:** Richard Ward, FSA, FCA, MAAA

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**Re:** Preventive Care Benefits – Focus on Actuarial and Financial Impact for the Retiree Plan (*Updated*)

The AlaskaCare Retiree Plan currently provides coverage for some select preventive benefits. Currently, the Plan provides coverage for the following routine lab tests:

- One pap smear per year for all women age 18 or older. Charges for a limited office visit to collect the pap smear are also covered.
- Prostate specific antigen (PSA) tests as follows:
  - One annual screening PSA test for men between ages 35 and 50 with a personal or family history of prostate cancer, and
  - One annual screening PSA test for men 50 years and older
- Mammograms as follows:
  - One baseline mammogram between age 35 and 40
  - One mammogram every two years between ages 40 and 50, and
  - One annual mammogram at age 50 years and above, and for those with a personal or family history of breast cancer.

Coverage is provided in the same manner that other medical treatments and services are covered. The Plan applies the general plan provisions, such as deductible, coinsurance and out-of-pocket limitations, to determine any portion of the costs that are the member's responsibility. If the member has additional coverage, such as Medicare or other employer provided coverage, any portion of the costs covered by that plan is also considered.

Below is a table outlining the current benefits offered under the Plan:

<b>Deductibles</b>		
Annual individual / family unit deductible	\$150 / up to 3x per family	
<b>Coinsurance</b>		
Most medical expenses	80%	
Most medical expenses after out-of-pocket limit is satisfied	100%	
Second surgical opinions, Preoperative testing, Outpatient testing/surgery	100%	
• No deductible applies		
<b>Out-of-Pocket Limit</b>		
Annual individual out-of-pocket limit	\$800	
• Applies after the deductible is satisfied		
• Expenses paid at a coinsurance rate other than 80% do not apply against the out-of-pocket limit		
<b>Benefit Maximums</b>		
Individual lifetime maximum	\$2,000,000	
• Prescription drug expenses do not apply against the lifetime maximum		
Individual limit per benefit year on substance abuse treatment without precertification. Subject to change every three years	\$12,715	
Individual lifetime maximum on substance abuse treatment without precertification. Subject to change every three years	\$25,430	
<b>Prescription Drugs</b>		Up to 90 Day or 100 Unit Supply
	Generic	Brand Name
Network pharmacy copayment	\$4	\$8
Mail order copayment	\$0	\$0

A change to the benefits under consideration would align the scope of benefits with those required of non-Grandfathered plans under the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Note that retiree plans, such as the AlaskaCare Retiree Plan, are not subject to the same provisions under the ACA that apply to the AlaskaCare Employee Plan. The changes to preventive benefits have been analyzed in the following two ways:

- A. Option A: In-Network: 80% coinsurance/deductible applies/out-of-pocket limit applies; Out-of-Network: 60% coinsurance/deductible applies/out-of-pocket limit does not apply.
- B. Option B: In-Network: 100% coinsurance/deductible does not apply; Out-of-Network: 80% coinsurance/deductible applies/out-of-pocket limit does not apply.

## Actuarial Value

Our updated analysis utilizes claims data and the Optum Comprehensive Benefit Pricing Model<sup>1</sup>, along with previously completed work using the Apex Actuarial Rate Modeling System<sup>2</sup>.

The impact of expanding the scope of covered services to align the scope of benefits with those required of non-Grandfathered plans under the ACA while being subject to deductibles, coinsurance and other plan provisions (Option A) would increase the actuarial value by 0.45%<sup>3</sup>.

The impact of expanding the scope of covered services to align the scope of benefits with those required of non-Grandfathered plans under the ACA at no member cost, 100% plan paid, for network provided services (Option B), would be an increase of 0.50% in actuarial value.<sup>4</sup>

The updated analysis reflects additional anticipated utilization resulting from the expanded benefits. For Medicare members, many of these services, including colonoscopies, are currently covered at 100% by Medicare. For these members, no change in utilization is assumed and the impact on the Plan is anticipated to be negligible.

## Financial Impact

Based on the most recent retiree medical and pharmacy claims projection of \$633,000,000 for 2021 (dated August 28, 2020), and trended forward at 6% to \$670,000,000 for 2022, this equates to approximately \$3,000,000 (Option A) to \$3,350,000 (Option B) in additional annual costs to the Plan depending on the cost sharing provisions.

## Additional Notes

The data used for this analysis was reviewed, but not audited, and found to be sufficient and credible.

The above projection is an estimate of future cost and is based on information available to Segal at the time the projection was made. Segal has not audited the information provided. A projection is not a guarantee of future results. Actual experience may differ due to, but not limited to, such variables as changes in the regulatory environment, local market pressure, change in demographics, overall inflation rates and claims volatility. Projection of retiree costs takes into account only the dollar value of providing benefits for current retirees during the period referred to in the projection. It does not reflect the present value of any future retiree benefits for active, disabled, or terminated employees during a period other than that which is

<sup>1</sup> The Optum Comprehensive Benefit Pricing Model provides comprehensive plan design and rate modeling capabilities, and is widely utilized throughout the industry by insurance carriers and consulting actuaries. Segal held an annual license to utilize this model at the time the analysis was conducted.

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<sup>3</sup> The previous analysis did not review the actuarial value change for a plan benefit that was subject to deductibles, coinsurance and other plan provisions.

<sup>4</sup> The previous analysis included in the July 25, 2018 Preventive Care Benefits – Focus on Actuarial and Financial Impact for the Retiree Plan memo provide an actuarial value change of 0.75%.

referred to in the projection, nor does it reflect any anticipated increase in the number of those eligible for retiree benefits, or any changes that may occur in the nature of benefits over time.

The Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic is rapidly evolving and will likely impact the 2021 US economy and health plan claims projections for most Health Plan Sponsors. As a result, projections could be significantly altered by emerging events. At this point, it is unclear what the impact will be for Health Plan Sponsors. Segal continues to develop and review plan cost adjustment factors and reports to apply to both short-term and long-term financial projections. Additionally, the potential for federal or state fiscal relief is also not contemplated in these budget projections.

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## Preventive care and wellness

This section describes the **eligible health services** and supplies available under your plan when you are well.

### Important notes:

1. You will see references to the following recommendations and guidelines in this section:
  - Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
  - United States Preventive Services Task Force
  - Health Resources and Services Administration
  - American Academy of Pediatrics/Bright Futures/Health Resources and Services Administration guidelines for children and adolescents

These recommendations and guidelines may be updated periodically. When these are updated, they will be applied to this plan. The updates will be effective on the first day of the Calendar Year, one year after the updated recommendation or guideline is issued.

2. Diagnostic testing will not be covered under the preventive care benefit. For those tests, you will pay the cost sharing specific to **eligible health services** for diagnostic testing.
3. Gender- specific preventive care benefits include **eligible health services** described below regardless of the sex you were assigned at birth, your gender identity, or your recorded gender.
4. To learn what frequency and age limits apply to routine physical exams and routine cancer screenings, contact your **physician** or contact Member Services by logging on to your Aetna member website at [www.aetna.com](http://www.aetna.com) or calling the number on your ID card. This information can

also be found at the [www.HealthCare.gov](http://www.HealthCare.gov) website.

## Routine physical exams

**Eligible health services** include office visits to your **physician, PCP** or other **health professional** for routine physical exams. This includes routine vision and hearing screenings given as part of the exam. A routine exam is a medical exam given by a **physician** or other **health professional** for a reason other than to diagnose or treat a suspected or identified **illness** or **injury**, and also includes:

- Evidence-based items that have in effect a rating of A or B in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force.
- Services as recommended in the American Academy of Pediatrics/Bright Futures/Health Resources and Services Administration guidelines for children and adolescents.
- Screenings and counseling services as provided for in the comprehensive guidelines recommended by the Health Resources and Services Administration. These services may include but are not limited to:
  - Screening and counseling services on topics such as:
    - Interpersonal and domestic violence
    - Sexually transmitted diseases
    - Human immune deficiency virus (HIV) infections
  - Screening for gestational diabetes for women
  - High risk human papillomavirus (HPV) DNA testing for women age 30 and older
- Radiological services, lab and other tests given in connection with the exam.
- For covered children, from birth to age 2:
  - An initial hospital checkup
  - Periodic well child exams
  - Consultation between the **health professional** and a parent

## Newborn hearing screening exam

**Eligible health services** include:

- Screening test for hearing loss prior to the date the child is 30 days old and
- Diagnostic hearing evaluation if the initial screening test shows the child may have a hearing impairment.

## Preventive care immunizations

**Eligible health services** include immunizations for infectious diseases recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Your plan does not cover immunizations that are not considered preventive care, such as those required due to your employment or travel.

## Well woman preventive visits

**Eligible health services** include your routine:

- Well woman preventive exam office visit to your **physician, PCP**, obstetrician (OB), gynecologist (GYN) or OB/GYN. This includes pap smears. Your plan covers the exams recommended by the Health Resources and Services Administration. A routine well woman preventive exam is a medical exam given for a reason other than to diagnose or treat a suspected or identified **illness** or **injury**.
- Preventive care breast cancer (BRCA) gene blood testing by a **physician** and lab.
- Preventive breast cancer genetic counseling provided by a genetic counselor to interpret the test results and evaluate treatment.

## Preventive screening and counseling services

**Eligible health services** include screening and counseling by your **health professional** for some conditions. These are obesity, misuse of alcohol and/or drugs, use of tobacco products, sexually transmitted infection counseling and genetic risk counseling for breast and ovarian cancer. Your plan will cover the services you get in an individual or group setting. Here is more detail about those benefits.

- **Obesity and/or healthy diet counseling**

**Eligible health services** include the following screening and counseling services to aid in weight reduction due to obesity:

- Preventive counseling visits and/or risk factor reduction intervention
- Nutritional counseling
- Healthy diet counseling visits provided in connection with Hyperlipidemia (high cholesterol) and other known risk factors for cardiovascular and diet-related chronic disease

- **Misuse of alcohol and/or drugs**

**Eligible health services** include the following screening and counseling services to help prevent or reduce the use of an alcohol agent or controlled substance:

- Preventive counseling visits
- Risk factor reduction intervention
- A structured assessment

- **Use of tobacco products**

**Eligible health services** include the following screening and counseling services to help you to stop the use of tobacco products:

- Preventive counseling visits
- Treatment visits
- Class visits;
- Tobacco cessation prescription and over-the-counter drugs
  - **Eligible health services** include FDA- approved **prescription drugs** and over-the-counter (OTC) drugs to help stop the use of tobacco products, when prescribed by a **prescriber** and the **prescription** is submitted to the pharmacist for processing.

Tobacco product means a substance containing tobacco or nicotine such as:

- Cigarettes
- Cigars
- Smoking tobacco
- Snuff
- Smokeless tobacco
- Candy-like products that contain tobacco

- **Sexually transmitted infection counseling**

**Eligible health services** include the counseling services to help you prevent or reduce sexually transmitted infections.

- **Genetic risk counseling for breast and ovarian cancer**

**Eligible health services** include counseling and evaluation services to help you assess whether or not you are at increased risk for breast and ovarian cancer.

## Routine cancer screenings

**Eligible health services** include the following routine cancer screenings:

- Mammograms
- Prostate specific antigen (PSA) tests
- Digital rectal exams
- Fecal occult blood tests
- Sigmoidoscopies
- Double contrast barium enemas (DCBE)
- Colonoscopies which includes removal of polyps performed during a screening procedure, and a pathology exam on any removed polyps
- Lung cancer screenings

These benefits will be subject to any age, family history and frequency guidelines that are:

- Evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of A or B in the recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force
- Evidence-informed items or services provided in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration
- Found in the American Cancer Society guidelines for colorectal cancer screening

**Eligible health services** include:

- A mammogram for women:
  - With a history of breast cancer
  - Who have a parent or sibling with a history of breast cancer
  - Who have received a referral from a **physician**
- Additional cancer screenings at frequencies that may not be included in the guidelines referenced above. See your schedule of benefits for details.

## Prenatal care

**Eligible health services** include your routine prenatal physical exams, which is the initial and subsequent history and physical exam such as:

- Maternal weight
- Blood pressure
- Fetal heart rate check
- Fundal height

You can get this care at your **physician's, PCP's, OB's, GYN's, or OB/GYN's** office.

### **Important note:**

You should review the benefit under *Eligible health services under your plan- Maternity and related newborn care* and the *Exceptions* sections of this booklet-certificate for more information on coverage for pregnancy expenses under this plan.

## Comprehensive lactation support and counseling services

**Eligible health services** include comprehensive lactation support (assistance and training in breast feeding) and counseling services during pregnancy or at any time following delivery for breast feeding. Your plan will cover this when you get it in an individual or group setting. Your plan will cover this counseling only when you get it from a certified lactation support **provider**.

## Breast feeding durable medical equipment



**EXAMPLE PLAN LANGUAGE – NOT PROPOSED FOR INCLUSION IN THE ALASKACARE RETIREE HEALTH PLAN**

**Eligible health services** include renting or buying **durable medical equipment** you need to pump and store breast milk as follows:

**Breast pump**

**Eligible health services** include:

- Renting a **hospital** grade electric pump while your newborn child is confined in a **hospital**.
- The buying of:
  - An electric breast pump (non-**hospital** grade). Your plan will cover this cost once every three years, or
  - A manual breast pump. Your plan will cover this cost once per pregnancy.

If an electric breast pump was purchased within the previous three year period, the purchase of another electric breast pump will not be covered until a three year period has elapsed since the last purchase.

**Breast pump supplies and accessories**

**Eligible health services** include breast pump supplies and accessories. These are limited to only one purchase per pregnancy in any year where a covered female would not qualify for the purchase of a new pump.

Coverage for the purchase of breast pump equipment is limited to one item of equipment, for the same or similar purpose, and the accessories and supplies needed to operate the item. You are responsible for the entire cost of any additional pieces of the same or similar equipment you purchase or rent for personal convenience or mobility.

**Family planning services – female contraceptives**

**Eligible health services** include family planning services such as:

**Counseling services**

**Eligible health services** include counseling services provided by a **physician**, OB, GYN, or OB/GYN on contraceptive methods. These will be covered when you get them in either a group or individual setting.

**Devices**

**Eligible health services** include contraceptive devices (including any related services or supplies) when they are provided by, administered or removed by a **physician** during an office visit.

**Voluntary sterilization**

**Eligible health services** include charges billed separately by the **provider** for female voluntary sterilization procedures and related services and supplies. This also could include tubal ligation and sterilization implants.

**Important note:**

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See the following sections for more information:

- *Family planning services - other*
- *Maternity and related newborn care*
- *Outpatient prescription drugs*
- *Treatment of basic infertility*

EXAMPLE

Topic	Description	Grade	Release Date of Current Recommendation
Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm: Screening: men aged 65 to 75 years who have ever smoked	The USPSTF recommends 1-time screening for abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA) with ultrasonography in men aged 65 to 75 years who have ever smoked.	B	December 2019 *
Abnormal Blood Glucose and Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus: Screening: adults aged 40 to 70 years who are overweight or obese	The USPSTF recommends screening for abnormal blood glucose as part of cardiovascular risk assessment in adults aged 40 to 70 years who are overweight or obese. Clinicians should offer or refer patients with abnormal blood glucose to intensive behavioral counseling interventions to promote a healthful diet and physical activity.	B	October 2015 *
Aspirin Use to Prevent Cardiovascular Disease and Colorectal Cancer: Preventive Medication: adults aged 50 to 59 years with a 10% or greater 10-year cvd risk	The USPSTF recommends initiating low-dose aspirin use for the primary prevention of cardiovascular disease (CVD) and colorectal cancer (CRC) in adults aged 50 to 59 years who have a 10% or greater 10-year CVD risk, are not at increased risk for bleeding, have a life expectancy of at least 10 years, and are willing to take low-dose aspirin daily for at least 10 years.	B	April 2016 *
Asymptomatic Bacteriuria in Adults: Screening: pregnant persons	The USPSTF recommends screening for asymptomatic bacteriuria using urine culture in pregnant persons.	B	September 2019 *
BRCA-Related Cancer: Risk Assessment, Genetic Counseling, and Genetic Testing: women with a personal or family history of breast, ovarian, tubal, or peritoneal cancer or an ancestry associated with brca1/2 gene mutation	The USPSTF recommends that primary care clinicians assess women with a personal or family history of breast, ovarian, tubal, or peritoneal cancer or who have an ancestry associated with breast cancer susceptibility 1 and 2 (BRCA1/2) gene mutations with an appropriate brief familial risk assessment tool. Women with a positive result on the risk assessment tool should receive genetic counseling and, if indicated after counseling, genetic testing.	B	August 2019 *
Breast Cancer: Medication Use to Reduce Risk: women at increased risk for breast cancer aged 35 years or older	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians offer to prescribe risk-reducing medications, such as tamoxifen, raloxifene, or aromatase inhibitors, to women who are at increased risk for breast cancer and at low risk for adverse medication effects.	B	September 2019 *

Breast Cancer: Screening: women aged 50 to 74 years	The USPSTF recommends biennial screening mammography for women aged 50 to 74 years. †	B	January 2016 *
Breastfeeding: Primary Care Interventions: pregnant women, new mothers, and their children	The USPSTF recommends providing interventions during pregnancy and after birth to support breastfeeding.	B	October 2016 *
Cervical Cancer: Screening: women aged 21 to 65 years	The USPSTF recommends screening for cervical cancer every 3 years with cervical cytology alone in women aged 21 to 29 years. For women aged 30 to 65 years, the USPSTF recommends screening every 3 years with cervical cytology alone, every 5 years with high-risk human papillomavirus (hrHPV) testing alone, or every 5 years with hrHPV testing in combination with cytology (cotesting). See the Clinical Considerations section for the relative benefits and harms of alternative screening strategies for women 21 years or older.	A	August 2018 *
Colorectal Cancer: Screening: adults aged 50 to 75 years	The USPSTF recommends screening for colorectal cancer starting at age 50 years and continuing until age 75 years. The risks and benefits of different screening methods vary. See the Clinical Considerations section and the Table for details about screening strategies.	A	June 2016 *
Dental Caries in Children from Birth Through Age 5 Years: Screening: children from birth through age 5 years	The USPSTF recommends that primary care clinicians prescribe oral fluoride supplementation starting at age 6 months for children whose water supply is deficient in fluoride.	B	May 2014 *
Dental Caries in Children from Birth Through Age 5 Years: Screening: children from birth through age 5 years	The USPSTF recommends that primary care clinicians apply fluoride varnish to the primary teeth of all infants and children starting at the age of primary tooth eruption.	B	May 2014 *
Depression in Adults: Screening: general adult population, including pregnant and postpartum women	The USPSTF recommends screening for depression in the general adult population, including pregnant and postpartum women. Screening should be implemented with adequate systems in place to ensure accurate diagnosis, effective treatment, and appropriate follow-up.	B	January 2016 *
Depression in Children and Adolescents: Screening: adolescents aged 12 to 18 years	The USPSTF recommends screening for major depressive disorder (MDD) in adolescents aged 12 to 18 years. Screening should be implemented with adequate systems in place to ensure accurate diagnosis, effective treatment, and appropriate follow-up.	B	February 2016 *

Falls Prevention in Community-Dwelling Older Adults: Interventions: adults 65 years or older	The USPSTF recommends exercise interventions to prevent falls in community-dwelling adults 65 years or older who are at increased risk for falls.	B	April 2018 *
Folic Acid for the Prevention of Neural Tube Defects: Preventive Medication: women who are planning or capable of pregnancy	The USPSTF recommends that all women who are planning or capable of pregnancy take a daily supplement containing 0.4 to 0.8 mg (400 to 800 µg) of folic acid.	A	January 2017 *
Gestational Diabetes Mellitus, Screening: asymptomatic pregnant women, after 24 weeks of gestation	The USPSTF recommends screening for gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM) in asymptomatic pregnant women after 24 weeks of gestation.	B	January 2014
Chlamydia and Gonorrhea: Screening: sexually active women	The USPSTF recommends screening for chlamydia in sexually active women age 24 years and younger and in older women who are at increased risk for infection.	B	September 2014 *
Chlamydia and Gonorrhea: Screening: sexually active women	The USPSTF recommends screening for gonorrhea in sexually active women age 24 years and younger and in older women who are at increased risk for infection.	B	September 2014 *
Healthy Diet and Physical Activity for Cardiovascular Disease Prevention in Adults With Cardiovascular Risk Factors: Behavioral Counseling Interventions: adults with cardiovascular disease risk factors	The USPSTF recommends offering or referring adults with cardiovascular disease risk factors to behavioral counseling interventions to promote a healthy diet and physical activity.	B	November 2020 *
Screening for Hepatitis B Virus Infection in Adolescents and Adults: adolescents and adults at increased risk for infection	The USPSTF recommends screening for hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection in adolescents and adults at increased risk for infection. See the Practice Considerations section for a description of adolescents and adults at increased risk for infection.	B	December 2020 *
Hepatitis B Virus Infection in Pregnant Women: Screening: pregnant women	The USPSTF recommends screening for hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection in pregnant women at their first prenatal visit	A	July 2019 *

Hepatitis C Virus Infection in Adolescents and Adults: Screening: adults aged 18 to 79 years	The USPSTF recommends screening for hepatitis C virus (HCV) infection in adults aged 18 to 79 years.	B	March 2020 *
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Infection: Screening: adolescents and adults aged 15 to 65 years	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians screen for HIV infection in adolescents and adults aged 15 to 65 years. Younger adolescents and older adults who are at increased risk of infection should also be screened. See the Clinical Considerations section for more information about assessment of risk, screening intervals, and rescreening in pregnancy.	A	June 2019 *
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Infection: Screening: pregnant persons	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians screen for HIV infection in all pregnant persons, including those who present in labor or at delivery whose HIV status is unknown.	A	June 2019 *
Screening for Hypertension in Adults: adults 18 years or older without known hypertension	The USPSTF recommends screening for hypertension in adults 18 years or older with office blood pressure measurement (OBPM). The USPSTF recommends obtaining blood pressure measurements outside of the clinical setting for diagnostic confirmation before starting treatment.	A	April 2021 *
Intimate Partner Violence, Elder Abuse, and Abuse of Vulnerable Adults: Screening: women of reproductive age	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians screen for intimate partner violence (IPV) in women of reproductive age and provide or refer women who screen positive to ongoing support services. See the Clinical Considerations section for more information on effective ongoing support services for IPV and for information on IPV in men.	B	October 2018 *
Latent Tuberculosis Infection: Screening: asymptomatic adults at increased risk for infection	The USPSTF recommends screening for latent tuberculosis infection (LTBI) in populations at increased risk.	B	September 2016 *
Low-Dose Aspirin Use for the Prevention of Morbidity and Mortality From Preeclampsia: Preventive Medication : pregnant women who are at high risk for preeclampsia	The USPSTF recommends the use of low-dose aspirin (81 mg/d) as preventive medication after 12 weeks of gestation in women who are at high risk for preeclampsia.	B	September 2014

Lung Cancer: Screening: adults aged 50 to 80 years who have a 20 pack-year smoking history and currently smoke or have quit within the past 15 years	The USPSTF recommends annual screening for lung cancer with low-dose computed tomography (LDCT) in adults aged 50 to 80 years who have a 20 pack-year smoking history and currently smoke or have quit within the past 15 years. Screening should be discontinued once a person has not smoked for 15 years or develops a health problem that substantially limits life expectancy or the ability or willingness to have curative lung surgery.	B	March 2021 *
Obesity in Children and Adolescents: Screening: children and adolescents 6 years and older	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians screen for obesity in children and adolescents 6 years and older and offer or refer them to comprehensive, intensive behavioral interventions to promote improvements in weight status.	B	June 2017 *
Ocular Prophylaxis for Gonococcal Ophthalmia Neonatorum: Preventive Medication: newborns	The USPSTF recommends prophylactic ocular topical medication for all newborns to prevent gonococcal ophthalmia neonatorum.	A	January 2019 *
Osteoporosis to Prevent Fractures: Screening: postmenopausal women younger than 65 years at increased risk of osteoporosis	The USPSTF recommends screening for osteoporosis with bone measurement testing to prevent osteoporotic fractures in postmenopausal women younger than 65 years who are at increased risk of osteoporosis, as determined by a formal clinical risk assessment tool. See the Clinical Considerations section for information on risk assessment.	B	June 2018 *
Osteoporosis to Prevent Fractures: Screening: women 65 years and older	The USPSTF recommends screening for osteoporosis with bone measurement testing to prevent osteoporotic fractures in women 65 years and older.	B	June 2018 *
Perinatal Depression: Preventive Interventions: pregnant and postpartum persons	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians provide or refer pregnant and postpartum persons who are at increased risk of perinatal depression to counseling interventions.	B	February 2019
Preeclampsia: Screening: pregnant woman	The USPSTF recommends screening for preeclampsia in pregnant women with blood pressure measurements throughout pregnancy.	B	April 2017 *
Prevention of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) Infection: Preexposure Prophylaxis: persons at high risk of hiv acquisition	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians offer preexposure prophylaxis (PrEP) with effective antiretroviral therapy to persons who are at high risk of HIV acquisition. See the Clinical Considerations section for information about identification of persons at high risk and selection of effective antiretroviral therapy.	A	June 2019

Prevention and Cessation of Tobacco Use in Children and Adolescents: Primary Care Interventions: school-aged children and adolescents who have not started to use tobacco	The USPSTF recommends that primary care clinicians provide interventions, including education or brief counseling, to prevent initiation of tobacco use among school-aged children and adolescents.	B	April 2020 *
Rh(D) Incompatibility: Screening: unsensitized rh(d)-negative pregnant women	The USPSTF recommends repeated Rh(D) antibody testing for all unsensitized Rh(D)-negative women at 24 to 28 weeks' gestation, unless the biological father is known to be Rh(D)-negative.	B	February 2004 *
Rh(D) Incompatibility: Screening: pregnant women, during the first pregnancy-related care visit	The USPSTF strongly recommends Rh(D) blood typing and antibody testing for all pregnant women during their first visit for pregnancy-related care.	A	February 2004 *
Sexually Transmitted Infections: Behavioral Counseling: sexually active adolescents and adults at increased risk	The USPSTF recommends behavioral counseling for all sexually active adolescents and for adults who are at increased risk for sexually transmitted infections (STIs). See the Practice Considerations section for more information on populations at increased risk for acquiring STIs.	B	August 2020 *
Skin Cancer Prevention: Behavioral Counseling: young adults, adolescents, children, and parents of young children	The USPSTF recommends counseling young adults, adolescents, children, and parents of young children about minimizing exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation for persons aged 6 months to 24 years with fair skin types to reduce their risk of skin cancer.	B	March 2018 *
Statin Use for the Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease in Adults: Preventive Medication: adults aged 40 to 75 years with no history of cvd, 1 or more cvd risk factors, and a calculated 10-year cvd event risk of 10% or greater	The USPSTF recommends that adults without a history of cardiovascular disease (CVD) (ie, symptomatic coronary artery disease or ischemic stroke) use a low- to moderate-dose statin for the prevention of CVD events and mortality when all of the following criteria are met: 1) they are aged 40 to 75 years; 2) they have 1 or more CVD risk factors (ie, dyslipidemia, diabetes, hypertension, or smoking); and 3) they have a calculated 10-year risk of a cardiovascular event of 10% or greater. Identification of dyslipidemia and calculation of 10-year CVD event risk requires universal lipids screening in adults aged 40 to 75 years. See the "Clinical Considerations" section for more information on lipids screening and the assessment of cardiovascular risk.	B	November 2016 *



Syphilis Infection in Nonpregnant Adults and Adolescents: Screening : asymptomatic, nonpregnant adults and adolescents who are at increased risk for syphilis infection	The USPSTF recommends screening for syphilis infection in persons who are at increased risk for infection.	A	June 2016 *
Syphilis Infection in Pregnant Women: Screening: pregnant women	The USPSTF recommends early screening for syphilis infection in all pregnant women.	A	September 2018 *
Interventions for Tobacco Smoking Cessation in Adults, Including Pregnant Persons: nonpregnant adults	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians ask all adults about tobacco use, advise them to stop using tobacco, and provide behavioral interventions and US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-- approved pharmacotherapy for cessation to nonpregnant adults who use tobacco.	A	January 2021 *
Interventions for Tobacco Smoking Cessation in Adults, Including Pregnant Persons: pregnant persons	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians ask all pregnant persons about tobacco use, advise them to stop using tobacco, and provide behavioral interventions for cessation to pregnant persons who use tobacco.	A	January 2021 *
Unhealthy Alcohol Use in Adolescents and Adults: Screening and Behavioral Counseling Interventions: adults 18 years or older, including pregnant women	The USPSTF recommends screening for unhealthy alcohol use in primary care settings in adults 18 years or older, including pregnant women, and providing persons engaged in risky or hazardous drinking with brief behavioral counseling interventions to reduce unhealthy alcohol use.	B	November 2018 *
Unhealthy Drug Use: Screening: adults age 18 years or older	The USPSTF recommends screening by asking questions about unhealthy drug use in adults age 18 years or older. Screening should be implemented when services for accurate diagnosis, effective treatment, and appropriate care can be offered or referred. (Screening refers to asking questions about unhealthy drug use, not testing biological specimens.)	B	June 2020
Vision in Children Ages 6 Months to 5 Years: Screening: children aged 3 to 5 years	The USPSTF recommends vision screening at least once in all children aged 3 to 5 years to detect amblyopia or its risk factors.	B	September 2017 *

Weight Loss to Prevent Obesity-Related Morbidity and Mortality in Adults: Behavioral Interventions: adults	The USPSTF recommends that clinicians offer or refer adults with a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or higher (calculated as weight in kilograms divided by height in meters squared) to intensive, multicomponent behavioral interventions.	B	September 2018 *
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†The Department of Health and Human Services, under the standards set out in revised Section 2713(a)(5) of the Public Health Service Act and Section 9(h)(v)(229) of the 2015 Consolidated Appropriations Act, utilizes the 2002 recommendation on breast cancer screening of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force. To see the USPSTF 2016 recommendation on breast cancer screening, go to <http://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/uspstf/recommendation/breast-cancer-screening1>.

\*Previous recommendation was an "A" or "B."

# Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule for ages 18 years or younger

UNITED STATES  
2021

## Vaccines in the Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule\*

Vaccines	Abbreviations	Trade names
Diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis vaccine	<b>DTaP</b>	Daptacel® Infanrix®
Diphtheria, tetanus vaccine	<b>DT</b>	No trade name
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b vaccine	<b>Hib (PRP-T)</b> <b>Hib (PRP-OMP)</b>	ActHIB® Hiberix® PedvaxHIB®
Hepatitis A vaccine	<b>HepA</b>	Havrix® Vaqta®
Hepatitis B vaccine	<b>HepB</b>	Engerix-B® Recombivax HB®
Human papillomavirus vaccine	<b>HPV</b>	Gardasil 9®
Influenza vaccine (inactivated)	<b>IIV</b>	Multiple
Influenza vaccine (live, attenuated)	<b>LAIV4</b>	FluMist® Quadrivalent
Measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine	<b>MMR</b>	M-M-R II®
Meningococcal serogroups A, C, W, Y vaccine	<b>MenACWY-D</b> <b>MenACWY-CRM</b> <b>MenACWY-TT</b>	Menactra® Menveo® MenQuadfi®
Meningococcal serogroup B vaccine	<b>MenB-4C</b> <b>MenB-FHbp</b>	Bexsero® Trumenba®
Pneumococcal 13-valent conjugate vaccine	<b>PCV13</b>	Prevnar 13®
Pneumococcal 23-valent polysaccharide vaccine	<b>PPSV23</b>	Pneumovax 23®
Poliovirus vaccine (inactivated)	<b>IPV</b>	IPOL®
Rotavirus vaccine	<b>RV1</b> <b>RV5</b>	Rotarix® RotaTeq®
Tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis vaccine	<b>Tdap</b>	Adacel® Boostrix®
Tetanus and diphtheria vaccine	<b>Td</b>	Tenivac® Tdvax™
Varicella vaccine	<b>VAR</b>	Varivax®

### Combination vaccines (use combination vaccines instead of separate injections when appropriate)

DTaP, hepatitis B, and inactivated poliovirus vaccine	<b>DTaP-HepB-IPV</b>	Pediarix®
DTaP, inactivated poliovirus, and <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b vaccine	<b>DTaP-IPV/Hib</b>	Pentacel®
DTaP and inactivated poliovirus vaccine	<b>DTaP-IPV</b>	Kinrix® Quadracel®
DTaP, inactivated poliovirus, <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b, and hepatitis B vaccine	<b>DTaP-IPV-Hib-HepB</b>	Vaxelis®
Measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella vaccine	<b>MMRV</b>	ProQuad®

\*Administer recommended vaccines if immunization history is incomplete or unknown. Do not restart or add doses to vaccine series for extended intervals between doses. When a vaccine is not administered at the recommended age, administer at a subsequent visit. The use of trade names is for identification purposes only and does not imply endorsement by the ACIP or CDC.

## How to use the child/adolescent immunization schedule

- 1** Determine recommended vaccine by age (**Table 1**)
- 2** Determine recommended interval for catch-up vaccination (**Table 2**)
- 3** Assess need for additional recommended vaccines by medical condition and other indications (**Table 3**)
- 4** Review vaccine types, frequencies, intervals, and considerations for special situations (**Notes**)

Recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices ([www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip)) and approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ([www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)), American Academy of Pediatrics ([www.aap.org](http://www.aap.org)), American Academy of Family Physicians ([www.aafp.org](http://www.aafp.org)), American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists ([www.acog.org](http://www.acog.org)), American College of Nurse-Midwives ([www.midwife.org](http://www.midwife.org)), American Academy of Physician Assistants ([www.aapa.org](http://www.aapa.org)), and National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners ([www.napnap.org](http://www.napnap.org)).

### Report

- Suspected cases of reportable vaccine-preventable diseases or outbreaks to your state or local health department
- Clinically significant adverse events to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) at [www.vaers.hhs.gov](http://www.vaers.hhs.gov) or 800-822-7967



Download the CDC Vaccine Schedules App for providers at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/schedule-app.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/schedule-app.html).

### Helpful information

- Complete ACIP recommendations: [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html)
- *General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization*: [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/index.html)
- Outbreak information (including case identification and outbreak response), see Manual for the Surveillance of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases: [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/surv-manual](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/surv-manual)
- ACIP Shared Clinical Decision-Making Recommendations [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/acip-scdm-faqs.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/acip-scdm-faqs.html)



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# Table 1

## Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule for ages 18 years or younger, United States, 2021

These recommendations must be read with the notes that follow. For those who fall behind or start late, provide catch-up vaccination at the earliest opportunity as indicated by the green bars. To determine minimum intervals between doses, see the catch-up schedule (Table 2). School entry and adolescent vaccine age groups are shaded in gray.

Vaccine	Birth	1 mo	2 mos	4 mos	6 mos	9 mos	12 mos	15 mos	18 mos	19–23 mos	2–3 yrs	4–6 yrs	7–10 yrs	11–12 yrs	13–15 yrs	16 yrs	17–18 yrs	
Hepatitis B (HepB)	1 <sup>st</sup> dose	←--- 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose ---→			←----- 3 <sup>rd</sup> dose -----→													
Rotavirus (RV): RV1 (2-dose series), RV5 (3-dose series)			1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	See Notes													
Diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis (DTaP <7 yrs)			1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	3 <sup>rd</sup> dose				←--- 4 <sup>th</sup> dose ---→			5 <sup>th</sup> dose						
Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)			1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	See Notes		← 3 <sup>rd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup> dose, See Notes →											
Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV13)			1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	3 <sup>rd</sup> dose		←--- 4 <sup>th</sup> dose ---→											
Inactivated poliovirus (IPV <18 yrs)			1 <sup>st</sup> dose	2 <sup>nd</sup> dose	←----- 3 <sup>rd</sup> dose -----→						4 <sup>th</sup> dose							
Influenza (IIV)											Annual vaccination 1 or 2 doses			Annual vaccination 1 dose only				
<b>or</b>											Annual vaccination 1 or 2 doses			Annual vaccination 1 dose only				
Influenza (LAIV4)											Annual vaccination 1 or 2 doses			Annual vaccination 1 dose only				
Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR)					See Notes	←--- 1 <sup>st</sup> dose ---→					2 <sup>nd</sup> dose							
Varicella (VAR)						←--- 1 <sup>st</sup> dose ---→					2 <sup>nd</sup> dose							
Hepatitis A (HepA)					See Notes	2-dose series, See Notes												
Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap ≥7 yrs)																		Tdap
Human papillomavirus (HPV)														*	See Notes			
Meningococcal (MenACWY-D ≥9 mos, MenACWY-CRM ≥2 mos, MenACWY-TT ≥2years)		See Notes												1 <sup>st</sup> dose		2 <sup>nd</sup> dose		
Meningococcal B															See Notes			
Pneumococcal polysaccharide (PPSV23)												See Notes						

  Range of recommended ages for all children
   Range of recommended ages for catch-up immunization
   Range of recommended ages for certain high-risk groups
   Recommended based on shared clinical decision-making or \*can be used in this age group
   No recommendation/ not applicable

# Table 2

## Recommended Catch-up Immunization Schedule for Children and Adolescents Who Start Late or Who Are More than 1 month Behind, United States, 2021

The table below provides catch-up schedules and minimum intervals between doses for children whose vaccinations have been delayed. A vaccine series does not need to be restarted, regardless of the time that has elapsed between doses. Use the section appropriate for the child's age. **Always use this table in conjunction with Table 1 and the notes that follow.**

Children age 4 months through 6 years					
Vaccine	Minimum Age for Dose 1	Minimum Interval Between Doses			
		Dose 1 to Dose 2	Dose 2 to Dose 3	Dose 3 to Dose 4	Dose 4 to Dose 5
Hepatitis B	Birth	<b>4 weeks</b>	<b>8 weeks and at least 16 weeks after first dose.</b> Minimum age for the final dose is 24 weeks.		
Rotavirus	6 weeks Maximum age for first dose is 14 weeks, 6 days.	<b>4 weeks</b>	<b>4 weeks</b> Maximum age for final dose is 8 months, 0 days.		
Diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis	6 weeks	<b>4 weeks</b>	<b>4 weeks</b>	<b>6 months</b>	<b>6 months</b>
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b	6 weeks	<b>No further doses needed</b> if first dose was administered at age 15 months or older. <b>4 weeks</b> if first dose was administered before the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday. <b>8 weeks (as final dose)</b> if first dose was administered at age 12 through 14 months.	<b>No further doses needed</b> if previous dose was administered at age 15 months or older. <b>4 weeks</b> if current age is younger than 12 months <b>and</b> first dose was administered at younger than age 7 months <b>and</b> at least 1 previous dose was PRP-T (ActHib, Pentacel, Hiberix) or unknown. <b>8 weeks and age 12 through 59 months (as final dose)</b> if current age is younger than 12 months <b>and</b> first dose was administered at age 7 through 11 months; OR if current age is 12 through 59 months <b>and</b> first dose was administered before the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday <b>and</b> second dose was administered at younger than 15 months; OR if both doses were PRP-OMP (PedvaxHIB, Comvax) <b>and</b> were administered before the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday.	<b>8 weeks (as final dose)</b> This dose only necessary for children age 12 through 59 months who received 3 doses before the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday.	
Pneumococcal conjugate	6 weeks	<b>No further doses needed</b> for healthy children if first dose was administered at age 24 months or older. <b>4 weeks</b> if first dose was administered before the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday. <b>8 weeks (as final dose for healthy children)</b> if first dose was administered at the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday or after.	<b>No further doses needed</b> for healthy children if previous dose was administered at age 24 months or older. <b>4 weeks</b> if current age is younger than 12 months and previous dose was administered at <7 months old. <b>8 weeks (as final dose for healthy children)</b> if previous dose was administered between 7–11 months (wait until at least 12 months old); OR if current age is 12 months or older and at least 1 dose was administered before age 12 months.	<b>8 weeks (as final dose)</b> This dose only necessary for children age 12 through 59 months who received 3 doses before age 12 months or for children at high risk who received 3 doses at any age.	
Inactivated poliovirus	6 weeks	<b>4 weeks</b>	<b>4 weeks</b> if current age is <4 years. <b>6 months (as final dose)</b> if current age is 4 years or older.	<b>6 months</b> (minimum age 4 years for final dose).	
Measles, mumps, rubella	12 months	<b>4 weeks</b>			
Varicella	12 months	<b>3 months</b>			
Hepatitis A	12 months	<b>6 months</b>			
Meningococcal ACWY	2 months MenACWY-CRM 9 months MenACWY-D 2 years MenACWY-TT	<b>8 weeks</b>	See Notes	See Notes	
Children and adolescents age 7 through 18 years					
Meningococcal ACWY	Not applicable (N/A)	<b>8 weeks</b>			
Tetanus, diphtheria; tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis	7 years	<b>4 weeks</b>	<b>4 weeks</b> if first dose of DTaP/DT was administered before the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday. <b>6 months (as final dose)</b> if first dose of DTaP/DT or Tdap/Td was administered at or after the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday.	<b>6 months</b> if first dose of DTaP/DT was administered before the 1 <sup>st</sup> birthday.	
Human papillomavirus	9 years	<b>Routine dosing intervals are recommended.</b>			
Hepatitis A	N/A	<b>6 months</b>			
Hepatitis B	N/A	<b>4 weeks</b>	<b>8 weeks and at least 16 weeks after first dose.</b>		
Inactivated poliovirus	N/A	<b>4 weeks</b>	<b>6 months</b> A fourth dose is not necessary if the third dose was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months after the previous dose.	A fourth dose of IPV is indicated if all previous doses were administered at <4 years or if the third dose was administered <6 months after the second dose.	
Measles, mumps, rubella	N/A	<b>4 weeks</b>			
Varicella	N/A	<b>3 months</b> if younger than age 13 years. <b>4 weeks</b> if age 13 years or older.			

**Table 3**

**Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule by Medical Indication, United States, 2021**

Always use this table in conjunction with Table 1 and the notes that follow.

VACCINE	INDICATION									
	Pregnancy	Immunocompromised status (excluding HIV infection)	HIV infection CD4+ count <sup>1</sup>		Kidney failure, end-stage renal disease, or on hemodialysis	Heart disease or chronic lung disease	CSF leak or cochlear implant	Asplenia or persistent complement deficiencies	Chronic liver disease	Diabetes
			<15% and total CD4 cell count of <200/mm <sup>3</sup>	≥15% and total CD4 cell count of ≥200/mm <sup>3</sup>						
Hepatitis B	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Rotavirus	Grey	Orange (SCID <sup>2</sup> )	Orange	Orange	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis (DTaP)	Grey	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b	Grey	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots
Pneumococcal conjugate	Grey	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots
Inactivated poliovirus	Orange	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Influenza (IIV)	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
<b>or</b>										
Influenza (LAIV4)	Red	Red	Red	Red	Orange (Asthma, wheezing: 2–4yrs <sup>3</sup> )	Red	Red	Red	Orange	Orange
Measles, mumps, rubella	Red (*)	Red	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Varicella	Red (*)	Red	Red	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Hepatitis A	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis (Tdap)	Yellow with dots	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Human papillomavirus	Red (*)	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Meningococcal ACWY	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow with dots	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow with dots	Yellow	Yellow
Meningococcal B	Orange	Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple	Purple	Yellow with dots	Purple	Purple
Pneumococcal polysaccharide	Purple	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots	Yellow with dots

Yellow Vaccination according to the routine schedule recommended
 Purple Recommended for persons with an additional risk factor for which the vaccine would be indicated
 Yellow with dots Vaccination is recommended, and additional doses may be necessary based on medical condition. See Notes.
 Red Not recommended/contraindicated—vaccine should not be administered.
 Orange Precaution—vaccine might be indicated if benefit of protection outweighs risk of adverse reaction
 Grey No recommendation/not applicable

\*Vaccinate after pregnancy.

1 For additional information regarding HIV laboratory parameters and use of live vaccines, see the *General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization*, “Altered Immunocompetence,” at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/immunocompetence.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/immunocompetence.html) and Table 4-1 (footnote D) at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/contraindications.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/contraindications.html).

2 Severe Combined Immunodeficiency

3 LAIV4 contraindicated for children 2–4 years of age with asthma or wheezing during the preceding 12 months

For vaccination recommendations for persons ages 19 years or older, see the Recommended Adult Immunization Schedule, 2021.

### Additional information

#### COVID-19 Vaccination

ACIP recommends use of COVID-19 vaccines within the scope of the Emergency Use Authorization or Biologics License Application for the particular vaccine. Interim ACIP recommendations for the use of COVID-19 vaccines can be found at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/).

- Consult relevant ACIP statements for detailed recommendations at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html).
- For information on contraindications and precautions for the use of a vaccine, consult the *General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization* at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/contraindications.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/contraindications.html) and relevant ACIP statements at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html).
- For calculating intervals between doses, 4 weeks = 28 days. Intervals of  $\geq 4$  months are determined by calendar months.
- Within a number range (e.g., 12–18), a dash (–) should be read as “through.”
- Vaccine doses administered  $\leq 4$  days before the minimum age or interval are considered valid. Doses of any vaccine administered  $\geq 5$  days earlier than the minimum age or minimum interval should not be counted as valid and should be repeated as age appropriate. **The repeat dose should be spaced after the invalid dose by the recommended minimum interval.** For further details, see Table 3-1, Recommended and minimum ages and intervals between vaccine doses, in *General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization* at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/timing.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/timing.html).
- Information on travel vaccination requirements and recommendations is available at [www.cdc.gov/travel/](http://www.cdc.gov/travel/).
- For vaccination of persons with immunodeficiencies, see Table 8-1, Vaccination of persons with primary and secondary immunodeficiencies, in *General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization* at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/immunocompetence.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/immunocompetence.html), and Immunization in Special Clinical Circumstances (In: Kimberlin DW, Brady MT, Jackson MA, Long SS, eds. *Red Book: 2018 Report of the Committee on Infectious Diseases*. 31<sup>st</sup> ed. Itasca, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics; 2018:67–111).
- For information about vaccination in the setting of a vaccine-preventable disease outbreak, contact your state or local health department.
- The National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP) is a no-fault alternative to the traditional legal system for resolving vaccine injury claims. All routine child and adolescent vaccines are covered by VICP except for pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (PPSV23). For more information, see [www.hrsa.gov/vaccinecompensation/index.html](http://www.hrsa.gov/vaccinecompensation/index.html).

### Diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis (DTaP) vaccination (minimum age: 6 weeks [4 years for Kinrix or Quadracel])

#### Routine vaccination

- 5-dose series at 2, 4, 6, 15–18 months, 4–6 years
  - **Prospectively:** Dose 4 may be administered as early as age 12 months if at least 6 months have elapsed since dose 3.
  - **Retrospectively:** A 4<sup>th</sup> dose that was inadvertently administered as early as age 12 months may be counted if at least 4 months have elapsed since dose 3.

#### Catch-up vaccination

- Dose 5 is not necessary if dose 4 was administered at age 4 years or older and at least 6 months after dose 3.
- For other catch-up guidance, see Table 2.

#### Special situations

- Wound management in children less than age 7 years with history of 3 or more doses of tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine: For all wounds except clean and minor wounds, administer DTaP if more than 5 years since last dose of tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine. For detailed information, see [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/67/rr/rr6702a1.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/67/rr/rr6702a1.htm).

### Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccination (minimum age: 6 weeks)

#### Routine vaccination

- **ActHIB, Hiberix, or Pentacel:** 4-dose series at 2, 4, 6, 12–15 months
- **PedvaxHIB:** 3-dose series at 2, 4, 12–15 months

#### Catch-up vaccination

- **Dose 1 at age 7–11 months:** Administer dose 2 at least 4 weeks later and dose 3 (final dose) at age 12–15 months or 8 weeks after dose 2 (whichever is later).
- **Dose 1 at age 12–14 months:** Administer dose 2 (final dose) at least 8 weeks after dose 1.
- **Dose 1 before age 12 months and dose 2 before age 15 months:** Administer dose 3 (final dose) 8 weeks after dose 2.
- **2 doses of PedvaxHIB before age 12 months:** Administer dose 3 (final dose) at 12–59 months and at least 8 weeks after dose 2.
- **1 dose administered at age 15 months or older:** No further doses needed
- **Unvaccinated at age 15–59 months:** Administer 1 dose.
- **Previously unvaccinated children age 60 months or older who are not considered high risk:** Do not require catch-up vaccination
- For other catch-up guidance, see Table 2.

### Special situations

#### • Chemotherapy or radiation treatment:

12–59 months

- Unvaccinated or only 1 dose before age 12 months: 2 doses, 8 weeks apart
- 2 or more doses before age 12 months: 1 dose at least 8 weeks after previous dose

*Doses administered within 14 days of starting therapy or during therapy should be repeated at least 3 months after therapy completion.*

#### • Hematopoietic stem cell transplant (HSCT):

- 3-dose series 4 weeks apart starting 6 to 12 months after successful transplant, regardless of Hib vaccination history

#### • Anatomic or functional asplenia (including sickle cell disease):

12–59 months

- Unvaccinated or only 1 dose before age 12 months: 2 doses, 8 weeks apart
- 2 or more doses before age 12 months: 1 dose at least 8 weeks after previous dose

Unvaccinated\* persons age 5 years or older

- 1 dose

#### • Elective splenectomy:

Unvaccinated\* persons age 15 months or older

- 1 dose (preferably at least 14 days before procedure)

#### • HIV infection:

12–59 months

- Unvaccinated or only 1 dose before age 12 months: 2 doses, 8 weeks apart
- 2 or more doses before age 12 months: 1 dose at least 8 weeks after previous dose

Unvaccinated\* persons age 5–18 years

- 1 dose

#### • Immunoglobulin deficiency, early component complement deficiency:

12–59 months

- Unvaccinated or only 1 dose before age 12 months: 2 doses, 8 weeks apart
- 2 or more doses before age 12 months: 1 dose at least 8 weeks after previous dose

\*Unvaccinated = Less than routine series (through age 14 months) OR no doses (age 15 months or older)

**Hepatitis A vaccination**

(minimum age: 12 months for routine vaccination)

**Routine vaccination**

- 2-dose series (minimum interval: 6 months) beginning at age 12 months

**Catch-up vaccination**

- Unvaccinated persons through age 18 years should complete a 2-dose series (minimum interval: 6 months).
- Persons who previously received 1 dose at age 12 months or older should receive dose 2 at least 6 months after dose 1.
- Adolescents age 18 years or older may receive the combined HepA and HepB vaccine, **Twinrix**<sup>®</sup>, as a 3-dose series (0, 1, and 6 months) or 4-dose series (3 doses at 0, 7, and 21–30 days, followed by a booster dose at 12 months).

**International travel**

- Persons traveling to or working in countries with high or intermediate endemic hepatitis A ([www.cdc.gov/travel/](http://www.cdc.gov/travel/)):
  - **Infants age 6–11 months:** 1 dose before departure; revaccinate with 2 doses, separated by at least 6 months, between age 12–23 months.
  - **Unvaccinated age 12 months or older:** Administer dose 1 as soon as travel is considered.

**Hepatitis B vaccination**

(minimum age: birth)

**Birth dose (monovalent HepB vaccine only)**

- **Mother is HBsAg-negative:** 1 dose within 24 hours of birth for all medically stable infants  $\geq 2,000$  grams. Infants  $< 2,000$  grams: Administer 1 dose at chronological age 1 month or hospital discharge (whichever is earlier and even if weight is still  $< 2,000$  grams).
- **Mother is HBsAg-positive:**
  - Administer **HepB vaccine** and **hepatitis B immune globulin (HBIG)** (in separate limbs) within 12 hours of birth, regardless of birth weight. For infants  $< 2,000$  grams, administer 3 additional doses of vaccine (total of 4 doses) beginning at age 1 month.
  - Test for HBsAg and anti-HBs at age 9–12 months. If HepB series is delayed, test 1–2 months after final dose.
- **Mother's HBsAg status is unknown:**
  - Administer **HepB vaccine** within 12 hours of birth, regardless of birth weight.
  - For infants  $< 2,000$  grams, administer **HBIG** in addition to HepB vaccine (in separate limbs) within 12 hours of birth. Administer 3 additional doses of vaccine (total of 4 doses) beginning at age 1 month.
  - Determine mother's HBsAg status as soon as possible. If mother is HBsAg-positive, administer **HBIG** to infants  $\geq 2,000$  grams as soon as possible, but no later than 7 days of age.

**Routine series**

- 3-dose series at 0, 1–2, 6–18 months (use monovalent HepB vaccine for doses administered before age 6 weeks)
- Infants who did not receive a birth dose should begin the series as soon as feasible (see Table 2).
- Administration of **4 doses** is permitted when a combination vaccine containing HepB is used after the birth dose.

- **Minimum age** for the final (3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup>) dose: 24 weeks
- **Minimum intervals:** dose 1 to dose 2: 4 weeks / dose 2 to dose 3: 8 weeks / dose 1 to dose 3: 16 weeks (when 4 doses are administered, substitute "dose 4" for "dose 3" in these calculations)

**Catch-up vaccination**

- Unvaccinated persons should complete a 3-dose series at 0, 1–2, 6 months.
- Adolescents age 11–15 years may use an alternative 2-dose schedule with at least 4 months between doses (adult formulation **Recombivax HB** only).
- Adolescents age 18 years or older may receive a 2-dose series of HepB (**Heplisav-B**<sup>®</sup>) at least 4 weeks apart.
- Adolescents age 18 years or older may receive the combined HepA and HepB vaccine, **Twinrix**, as a 3-dose series (0, 1, and 6 months) or 4-dose series (3 doses at 0, 7, and 21–30 days, followed by a booster dose at 12 months).
- For other catch-up guidance, see Table 2.

**Special situations**

- Revaccination is not generally recommended for persons with a normal immune status who were vaccinated as infants, children, adolescents, or adults.
- **Revaccination** may be recommended for certain populations, including:
  - **Infants born to HBsAg-positive mothers**
  - **Hemodialysis patients**
  - **Other immunocompromised persons**
- For detailed revaccination recommendations, see [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/vacc-specific/hepb.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/vacc-specific/hepb.html).

**Human papillomavirus vaccination**

(minimum age: 9 years)

**Routine and catch-up vaccination**

- HPV vaccination routinely recommended at **age 11–12 years (can start at age 9 years)** and catch-up HPV vaccination recommended for all persons through age 18 years if not adequately vaccinated
- 2- or 3-dose series depending on age at initial vaccination:
  - **Age 9–14 years at initial vaccination:** 2-dose series at 0, 6–12 months (minimum interval: 5 months; repeat dose if administered too soon)
  - **Age 15 years or older at initial vaccination:** 3-dose series at 0, 1–2 months, 6 months (minimum intervals: dose 1 to dose 2: 4 weeks / dose 2 to dose 3: 12 weeks / dose 1 to dose 3: 5 months; repeat dose if administered too soon)
- **Interrupted schedules:** If vaccination schedule is interrupted, the series does not need to be restarted.
- No additional dose recommended after completing series with recommended dosing intervals using any HPV vaccine.

**Special situations**

- **Immunocompromising conditions, including HIV infection:** 3-dose series as above
- **History of sexual abuse or assault:** Start at age 9 years.
- **Pregnancy:** HPV vaccination not recommended until after pregnancy; no intervention needed if vaccinated while pregnant; pregnancy testing not needed before vaccination

**Influenza vaccination**

(minimum age: 6 months [IIV], 2 years [LAIV4], 18 years [recombinant influenza vaccine, RIV4])

**Routine vaccination**

- Use any influenza vaccine appropriate for age and health status annually:
  - 2 doses, separated by at least 4 weeks, for **children age 6 months–8 years** who have received fewer than 2 influenza vaccine doses before July 1, 2020, or whose influenza vaccination history is unknown (administer dose 2 even if the child turns 9 between receipt of dose 1 and dose 2)
  - 1 dose for **children age 6 months–8 years** who have received at least 2 influenza vaccine doses before July 1, 2020
  - 1 dose for **all persons age 9 years or older**
- For the 2021–22 season, see the 2021–22 ACIP influenza vaccine recommendations.

**Special situations**

- **Egg allergy, hives only:** Any influenza vaccine appropriate for age and health status annually
- **Egg allergy with symptoms other than hives** (e.g., angioedema, respiratory distress, need for emergency medical services or epinephrine): Any influenza vaccine appropriate for age and health status annually. If using an influenza vaccine other than Flublok or Flucelvax, administer in medical setting under supervision of health care provider who can recognize and manage severe allergic reactions.
- Severe allergic reactions to vaccines can occur even in the absence of a history of previous allergic reaction. All vaccination providers should be familiar with the office emergency plan and certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
- A previous severe allergic reaction to influenza vaccine is a contraindication to future receipt of any influenza vaccine.
- **LAIV4 should not be used** in persons with the following conditions or situations:
  - History of severe allergic reaction to a previous dose of any influenza vaccine or to any vaccine component (excluding egg, see details above)
  - Receiving aspirin or salicylate-containing medications
  - Age 2–4 years with history of asthma or wheezing
  - Immunocompromised due to any cause (including medications and HIV infection)
  - Anatomic or functional asplenia
  - Close contacts or caregivers of severely immunosuppressed persons who require a protected environment
  - Pregnancy
  - Cochlear implant
  - Cerebrospinal fluid-oro-pharyngeal communication
  - Children less than age 2 years
  - Received influenza antiviral medications oseltamivir or zanamivir within the previous 48 hours, peramivir within the previous 5 days, or baloxavir within the previous 17 days



# Notes

## Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule for ages 18 years or younger, United States, 2021

### Measles, mumps, and rubella vaccination (minimum age: 12 months for routine vaccination)

#### Routine vaccination

- 2-dose series at 12–15 months, 4–6 years
- Dose 2 may be administered as early as 4 weeks after dose 1.

#### Catch-up vaccination

- Unvaccinated children and adolescents: 2-dose series at least 4 weeks apart
- The maximum age for use of MMRV is 12 years.

#### Special situations

##### International travel

- **Infants age 6–11 months:** 1 dose before departure; revaccinate with 2-dose series at age 12–15 months (12 months for children in high-risk areas) and dose 2 as early as 4 weeks later.
- **Unvaccinated children age 12 months or older:** 2-dose series at least 4 weeks apart before departure

### Meningococcal serogroup A,C,W,Y vaccination (minimum age: 2 months [MenACWY-CRM, Menveo], 9 months [MenACWY-D, Menactra], 2 years [MenACWY-TT, MenQuadfi])

#### Routine vaccination

- 2-dose series at 11–12 years, 16 years

#### Catch-up vaccination

- Age 13–15 years: 1 dose now and booster at age 16–18 years (minimum interval: 8 weeks)
- Age 16–18 years: 1 dose

#### Special situations

**Anatomic or functional asplenia (including sickle cell disease), HIV infection, persistent complement component deficiency, complement inhibitor (e.g., eculizumab, ravulizumab) use:**

- **Menveo**
  - Dose 1 at age 8 weeks: 4-dose series at 2, 4, 6, 12 months
  - Dose 1 at age 3–6 months: 3- or 4- dose series (dose 2 [and dose 3 if applicable] at least 8 weeks after previous dose until a dose is received at age 7 months or older, followed by an additional dose at least 12 weeks later and after age 12 months)
  - Dose 1 at age 7–23 months: 2-dose series (dose 2 at least 12 weeks after dose 1 and after age 12 months)
  - Dose 1 at age 24 months or older: 2-dose series at least 8 weeks apart
- **Menactra**
  - **Persistent complement component deficiency or complement inhibitor use:**
    - Age 9–23 months: 2-dose series at least 12 weeks apart
    - Age 24 months or older: 2-dose series at least 8 weeks apart
  - **Anatomic or functional asplenia, sickle cell disease, or HIV infection:**
    - Age 9–23 months: Not recommended
    - Age 24 months or older: 2-dose series at least 8 weeks apart
    - **Menactra** must be administered at least 4 weeks after completion of PCV13 series.

- **MenQuadfi**

- Dose 1 at age 24 months or older: 2-dose series at least 8 weeks apart

**Travel in countries with hyperendemic or epidemic meningococcal disease, including countries in the African meningitis belt or during the Hajj ([www.cdc.gov/travel/](http://www.cdc.gov/travel/)):**

- Children less than age 24 months:
  - **Menveo (age 2–23 months)**
    - Dose 1 at age 8 weeks: 4-dose series at 2, 4, 6, 12 months
    - Dose 1 at age 3–6 months: 3- or 4- dose series (dose 2 [and dose 3 if applicable] at least 8 weeks after previous dose until a dose is received at age 7 months or older, followed by an additional dose at least 12 weeks later and after age 12 months)
    - Dose 1 at age 7–23 months: 2-dose series (dose 2 at least 12 weeks after dose 1 and after age 12 months)
  - **Menactra (age 9–23 months)**
    - 2-dose series (dose 2 at least 12 weeks after dose 1; dose 2 may be administered as early as 8 weeks after dose 1 in travelers)
- Children age 2 years or older: 1 dose Menveo, Menactra, or MenQuadfi

**First-year college students who live in residential housing (if not previously vaccinated at age 16 years or older) or military recruits:**

- 1 dose **Menveo, Menactra, or MenQuadfi**
- Adolescent vaccination of children who received MenACWY prior to age 10 years:**
- **Children for whom boosters are recommended** because of an ongoing increased risk of meningococcal disease (e.g., those with complement deficiency, HIV, or asplenia): Follow the booster schedule for persons at increased risk.
  - **Children for whom boosters are not recommended** (e.g., a healthy child who received a single dose for travel to a country where meningococcal disease is endemic): Administer MenACWY according to the recommended adolescent schedule with dose 1 at age 11–12 years and dose 2 at age 16 years.

**Note:** **Menactra** should be administered either before or at the same time as DTaP. For MenACWY **booster dose recommendations** for groups listed under “Special situations” and in an outbreak setting and additional meningococcal vaccination information, see [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/rr/rr6909a1.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/rr/rr6909a1.htm).

### Meningococcal serogroup B vaccination (minimum age: 10 years [MenB-4C, Bexsero; MenB-FHbp, Trumenba])

#### Shared clinical decision-making

- **Adolescents not at increased risk** age 16–23 years (preferred age 16–18 years) based on shared clinical decision-making:
  - **Bexsero:** 2-dose series at least 1 month apart
  - **Trumenba:** 2-dose series at least 6 months apart; if dose 2 is administered earlier than 6 months, administer a 3<sup>rd</sup> dose at least 4 months after dose 2.

#### Special situations

**Anatomic or functional asplenia (including sickle cell disease), persistent complement component deficiency, complement inhibitor (e.g., eculizumab, ravulizumab) use:**

- **Bexsero:** 2-dose series at least 1 month apart
  - **Trumenba:** 3-dose series at 0, 1–2, 6 months
- Bexsero** and **Trumenba** are not interchangeable; the same product should be used for all doses in a series. For MenB **booster dose recommendations** for groups listed under “Special situations” and in an outbreak setting and additional meningococcal vaccination information, see [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/rr/rr6909a1.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/rr/rr6909a1.htm).

### Pneumococcal vaccination

(minimum age: 6 weeks [PCV13], 2 years [PPSV23])

#### Routine vaccination with PCV13

- 4-dose series at 2, 4, 6, 12–15 months

#### Catch-up vaccination with PCV13

- 1 dose for healthy children age 24–59 months with any incomplete\* PCV13 series
- For other catch-up guidance, see Table 2.

#### Special situations

**Underlying conditions below: When both PCV13 and PPSV23 are indicated, administer PCV13 first. PCV13 and PPSV23 should not be administered during same visit.**

**Chronic heart disease (particularly cyanotic congenital heart disease and cardiac failure); chronic lung disease (including asthma treated with high-dose, oral corticosteroids); diabetes mellitus:**

##### Age 2–5 years

- Any incomplete\* series with:
  - 3 PCV13 doses: 1 dose PCV13 (at least 8 weeks after any prior PCV13 dose)
  - Less than 3 PCV13 doses: 2 doses PCV13 (8 weeks after the most recent dose and administered 8 weeks apart)
- No history of PPSV23: 1 dose PPSV23 (at least 8 weeks after completing all recommended PCV13 doses)

##### Age 6–18 years

- No history of PPSV23: 1 dose PPSV23 (at least 8 weeks after completing all recommended PCV13 doses)

**Cerebrospinal fluid leak, cochlear implant:**

##### Age 2–5 years

- Any incomplete\* series with:
  - 3 PCV13 doses: 1 dose PCV13 (at least 8 weeks after any prior PCV13 dose)
  - Less than 3 PCV13 doses: 2 doses PCV13 (8 weeks after the most recent dose and administered 8 weeks apart)
- No history of PPSV23: 1 dose PPSV23 (at least 8 weeks after any prior PCV13 dose)

##### Age 6–18 years

- No history of either PCV13 or PPSV23: 1 dose PCV13, 1 dose PPSV23 at least 8 weeks later
- Any PCV13 but no PPSV23: 1 dose PPSV23 at least 8 weeks after the most recent dose of PCV13
- PPSV23 but no PCV13: 1 dose PCV13 at least 8 weeks after the most recent dose of PPSV23

**Sickle cell disease and other hemoglobinopathies; anatomic or functional asplenia; congenital or acquired immunodeficiency; HIV infection; chronic renal failure; nephrotic syndrome; malignant neoplasms, leukemias, lymphomas, Hodgkin disease, and other diseases associated with treatment with immunosuppressive drugs or radiation therapy; solid organ transplantation; multiple myeloma:**

#### Age 2–5 years

- Any incomplete\* series with:
  - 3 PCV13 doses: 1 dose PCV13 (at least 8 weeks after any prior PCV13 dose)
  - Less than 3 PCV13 doses: 2 doses PCV13 (8 weeks after the most recent dose and administered 8 weeks apart)
- No history of PPSV23: 1 dose PPSV23 (at least 8 weeks after any prior PCV13 dose) and a 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of PPSV23 5 years later

#### Age 6–18 years

- No history of either PCV13 or PPSV23: 1 dose PCV13, 2 doses PPSV23 (dose 1 of PPSV23 administered 8 weeks after PCV13 and dose 2 of PPSV23 administered at least 5 years after dose 1 of PPSV23)
- Any PCV13 but no PPSV23: 2 doses PPSV23 (dose 1 of PPSV23 administered 8 weeks after the most recent dose of PCV13 and dose 2 of PPSV23 administered at least 5 years after dose 1 of PPSV23)
- PPSV23 but no PCV13: 1 dose PCV13 at least 8 weeks after the most recent PPSV23 dose and a 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of PPSV23 administered 5 years after dose 1 of PPSV23 and at least 8 weeks after a dose of PCV13

#### Chronic liver disease, alcoholism:

##### Age 6–18 years

- No history of PPSV23: 1 dose PPSV23 (at least 8 weeks after any prior PCV13 dose)

\**Incomplete series* = Not having received all doses in either the recommended series or an age-appropriate catch-up series. See Tables 8, 9, and 11 in the ACIP pneumococcal vaccine recommendations ([www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/rr/rr5911.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/rr/rr5911.pdf)) for complete schedule details.

### Poliovirus vaccination (minimum age: 6 weeks)

#### Routine vaccination

- 4-dose series at ages 2, 4, 6–18 months, 4–6 years; administer the final dose on or after age 4 years and at least 6 months after the previous dose.
- 4 or more doses of IPV can be administered before age 4 years when a combination vaccine containing IPV is used. However, a dose is still recommended on or after age 4 years and at least 6 months after the previous dose.

#### Catch-up vaccination

- In the first 6 months of life, use minimum ages and intervals only for travel to a polio-endemic region or during an outbreak.
- IPV is not routinely recommended for U.S. residents age 18 years or older.

**Series containing oral polio vaccine (OPV)**, either mixed OPV-IPV or OPV-only series:

- Total number of doses needed to complete the series is the same as that recommended for the U.S. IPV schedule. See [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/66/wr/mm6601a6.htm?s\\_%20cid=mm6601a6\\_w](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/66/wr/mm6601a6.htm?s_%20cid=mm6601a6_w).
- Only trivalent OPV (tOPV) counts toward the U.S. vaccination requirements.
  - Doses of OPV administered before April 1, 2016, should be counted (unless specifically noted as administered during a campaign).
  - Doses of OPV administered on or after April 1, 2016, should not be counted.
  - For guidance to assess doses documented as “OPV,” see [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/66/wr/mm6606a7.htm?s\\_%20cid=mm6606a7\\_w](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/66/wr/mm6606a7.htm?s_%20cid=mm6606a7_w).
- For other catch-up guidance, see Table 2.

### Rotavirus vaccination (minimum age: 6 weeks)

#### Routine vaccination

- **Rotarix:** 2-dose series at 2 and 4 months
- **RotaTeq:** 3-dose series at 2, 4, and 6 months
- If any dose in the series is either **RotaTeq** or unknown, default to 3-dose series.

#### Catch-up vaccination

- Do not start the series on or after age 15 weeks, 0 days.
- The maximum age for the final dose is 8 months, 0 days.
- For other catch-up guidance, see Table 2.

### Tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) vaccination

(minimum age: 11 years for routine vaccination, 7 years for catch-up vaccination)

#### Routine vaccination

- **Adolescents age 11–12 years:** 1 dose Tdap
- **Pregnancy:** 1 dose Tdap during each pregnancy, preferably in early part of gestational weeks 27–36
- Tdap may be administered regardless of the interval since the last tetanus- and diphtheria-toxoid-containing vaccine.

#### Catch-up vaccination

- **Adolescents age 13–18 years who have not received Tdap:** 1 dose Tdap, then Td or Tdap booster every 10 years
- **Persons age 7–18 years not fully vaccinated\* with DTaP:** 1 dose Tdap as part of the catch-up series (preferably the first dose); if additional doses are needed, use Td or Tdap.
- **Tdap administered at age 7–10 years:**
  - **Children age 7–9 years** who receive Tdap should receive the routine Tdap dose at age 11–12 years.
  - **Children age 10 years** who receive Tdap do not need the routine Tdap dose at age 11–12 years.
- **DTaP inadvertently administered on or after age 7 years:**
  - **Children age 7–9 years:** DTaP may count as part of catch-up series. Administer routine Tdap dose at age 11–12 years.
  - **Children age 10–18 years:** Count dose of DTaP as the adolescent Tdap booster.
- For other catch-up guidance, see Table 2.

#### Special situations

- **Wound management** in persons age 7 years or older with history of 3 or more doses of tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine: For clean and minor wounds, administer Tdap or Td if more than 10 years since last dose of tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine; for all other wounds, administer Tdap or Td if more than 5 years since last dose of tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine. Tdap is preferred for persons age 11 years or older who have not previously received Tdap or whose Tdap history is unknown. If a tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine is indicated for a pregnant adolescent, use Tdap.
- For detailed information, see [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6903a5.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6903a5.htm).

\**Fully vaccinated* = 5 valid doses of DTaP OR 4 valid doses of DTaP if dose 4 was administered at age 4 years or older

### Varicella vaccination (minimum age: 12 months)

#### Routine vaccination

- 2-dose series at 12–15 months, 4–6 years
- Dose 2 may be administered as early as 3 months after dose 1 (a dose administered after a 4-week interval may be counted).

#### Catch-up vaccination

- Ensure persons age 7–18 years without evidence of immunity (see *MMWR* at [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/rr/rr5604.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/rr/rr5604.pdf)) have a 2-dose series:
  - **Age 7–12 years:** routine interval: 3 months (a dose administered after a 4-week interval may be counted)
  - **Age 13 years and older:** routine interval: 4–8 weeks (minimum interval: 4 weeks)
  - The maximum age for use of MMRV is 12 years.

# Recommended Adult Immunization Schedule for ages 19 years or older

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## How to use the adult immunization schedule

- 1** Determine recommended vaccinations by age (**Table 1**)
- 2** Assess need for additional recommended vaccinations by medical condition and other indications (**Table 2**)
- 3** Review vaccine types, frequencies, and intervals and considerations for special situations (**Notes**)

Recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices ([www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip)) and approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ([www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)), American College of Physicians ([www.acponline.org](http://www.acponline.org)), American Academy of Family Physicians ([www.aafp.org](http://www.aafp.org)), American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists ([www.acog.org](http://www.acog.org)), American College of Nurse-Midwives ([www.midwife.org](http://www.midwife.org)), and American Academy of Physician Assistants ([www.aapa.org](http://www.aapa.org)).

## Vaccines in the Adult Immunization Schedule\*

Vaccines	Abbreviations	Trade names
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b vaccine	Hib	ActHIB® Hiberix® PedvaxHIB®
Hepatitis A vaccine	HepA	Havrix® Vaqta®
Hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccine	HepA-HepB	Twinrix®
Hepatitis B vaccine	HepB	Engerix-B® Recombivax HB® Hepelisav-B®
Human papillomavirus vaccine	HPV	Gardasil 9®
Influenza vaccine (inactivated)	IIV	Many brands
Influenza vaccine (live, attenuated)	LAIV4	FluMist® Quadrivalent
Influenza vaccine (recombinant)	RIV4	Flublok® Quadrivalent
Measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine	MMR	M-M-R II®
Meningococcal serogroups A, C, W, Y vaccine	MenACWY-D MenACWY-CRM MenACWY-TT	Menactra® Menveo® MenQuadfi®
Meningococcal serogroup B vaccine	MenB-4C MenB-FHbp	Bexsero® Trumenba®
Pneumococcal 13-valent conjugate vaccine	PCV13	Prevnar 13®
Pneumococcal 23-valent polysaccharide vaccine	PPSV23	Pneumovax 23®
Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids	Td	Tenivac® Tdvax™
Tetanus and diphtheria toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine	Tdap	Adacel® Boostrix®
Varicella vaccine	VAR	Varivax®
Zoster vaccine, recombinant	RZV	Shingrix

\*Administer recommended vaccines if vaccination history is incomplete or unknown. Do not restart or add doses to vaccine series if there are extended intervals between doses. The use of trade names is for identification purposes only and does not imply endorsement by the ACIP or CDC.

## Report

- Suspected cases of reportable vaccine-preventable diseases or outbreaks to the local or state health department
- Clinically significant postvaccination reactions to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System at [www.vaers.hhs.gov](http://www.vaers.hhs.gov) or 800-822-7967

## Injury claims

All vaccines included in the adult immunization schedule except pneumococcal 23-valent polysaccharide (PPSV23) and zoster (RZV) vaccines are covered by the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program. Information on how to file a vaccine injury claim is available at [www.hrsa.gov/vaccinecompensation](http://www.hrsa.gov/vaccinecompensation).

## Questions or comments

Contact [www.cdc.gov/cdc-info](http://www.cdc.gov/cdc-info) or 800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636), in English or Spanish, 8 a.m.–8 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.



Download the CDC Vaccine Schedules app for providers at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/schedule-app.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/schedule-app.html).

## Helpful information

- Complete ACIP recommendations: [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html)
- *General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization* (including contraindications and precautions): [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/index.html)
- Vaccine information statements: [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/index.html)
- Manual for the Surveillance of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (including case identification and outbreak response): [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/surv-manual](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/surv-manual)
- Travel vaccine recommendations: [www.cdc.gov/travel](http://www.cdc.gov/travel)
- Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule, United States, 2021: [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/child-adolescent.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/child-adolescent.html)
- ACIP Shared Clinical Decision-Making Recommendations [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/acip-scdm-faqs.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/acip-scdm-faqs.html)



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**Table 1** Recommended Adult Immunization Schedule by Age Group, United States, 2021

Vaccine	19–26 years	27–49 years	50–64 years	≥65 years
<b>Influenza inactivated (IIV) or Influenza recombinant (RIV4)</b> <sup>or</sup>	1 dose annually			
<b>Influenza live, attenuated (LAIV4)</b>				
<b>Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap or Td)</b>	1 dose Tdap each pregnancy; 1 dose Td/Tdap for wound management (see notes)			
	1 dose Tdap, then Td or Tdap booster every 10 years			
<b>Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR)</b>	1 or 2 doses depending on indication (if born in 1957 or later)			
<b>Varicella (VAR)</b>	2 doses (if born in 1980 or later)		2 doses	
<b>Zoster recombinant (RZV)</b>			2 doses	
<b>Human papillomavirus (HPV)</b>	2 or 3 doses depending on age at initial vaccination or condition	27 through 45 years		
<b>Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV13)</b>	1 dose			1 dose
<b>Pneumococcal polysaccharide (PPSV23)</b>	1 or 2 doses depending on indication			1 dose
<b>Hepatitis A (HepA)</b>	2 or 3 doses depending on vaccine			
<b>Hepatitis B (HepB)</b>	2 or 3 doses depending on vaccine			
<b>Meningococcal A, C, W, Y (MenACWY)</b>	1 or 2 doses depending on indication, see notes for booster recommendations			
<b>Meningococcal B (MenB)</b>	2 or 3 doses depending on vaccine and indication, see notes for booster recommendations			
	19 through 23 years			
<b>Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)</b>	1 or 3 doses depending on indication			

Recommended vaccination for adults who meet age requirement, lack documentation of vaccination, or lack evidence of past infection

Recommended vaccination for adults with an additional risk factor or another indication

Recommended vaccination based on shared clinical decision-making

No recommendation/ Not applicable

**Table 2** Recommended Adult Immunization Schedule by Medical Condition and Other Indications, United States, 2021

Vaccine	Pregnancy	Immuno-compromised (excluding HIV infection)	HIV infection CD4 count		Asplenia, complement deficiencies	End-stage renal disease; or on hemodialysis	Heart or lung disease, alcoholism <sup>1</sup>	Chronic liver disease	Diabetes	Health care personnel <sup>2</sup>	Men who have sex with men
			<200 mm <sup>3</sup>	≥200 mm <sup>3</sup>							
IIV or RIV4 <b>or</b>	1 dose annually										
LAIV4	Not Recommended					Precaution			<b>or</b> 1 dose annually		
Tdap or Td	1 dose Tdap each pregnancy	1 dose Tdap, then Td or Tdap booster every 10 years									
MMR	Not Recommended*	Not Recommended	1 or 2 doses depending on indication								
VAR	Not Recommended*	Not Recommended		2 doses							
RZV			2 doses at age ≥50 years								
HPV	Not Recommended*	3 doses through age 26 years		2 or 3 doses through age 26 years depending on age at initial vaccination or condition							
PCV13	1 dose										
PPSV23	1, 2, or 3 doses depending on age and indication										
HepA				2 or 3 doses depending on vaccine							
HepB				2, 3, or 4 doses depending on vaccine or condition				<60 years			
								≥60 years			
MenACWY	1 or 2 doses depending on indication, see notes for booster recommendations										
MenB	Precaution	2 or 3 doses depending on vaccine and indication, see notes for booster recommendations									
Hib		3 doses HSCT <sup>3</sup> recipients only		1 dose							

Recommended vaccination for adults who meet age requirement, lack documentation of vaccination, or lack evidence of past infection
 
 No recommendation/Not applicable
 

 Recommended vaccination for adults with an additional risk factor or another indication
 

 Precaution—vaccination might be indicated if benefit of protection outweighs risk of adverse reaction
 

 Recommended vaccination based on shared clinical decision-making
 

 Not recommended/contraindicated—vaccine should not be administered.

\*Vaccinate after pregnancy.

1. Precaution for LAIV4 does not apply to alcoholism. 2. See notes for influenza; hepatitis B; measles, mumps, and rubella; and varicella vaccinations. 3. Hematopoietic stem cell transplant.

For vaccine recommendations for persons 18 years of age or younger, see the Recommended Child/Adolescent Immunization Schedule.

### Additional Information

#### COVID-19 Vaccination

ACIP recommends use of COVID-19 vaccines within the scope of the Emergency Use Authorization or Biologics License Application for the particular vaccine. Interim ACIP recommendations for the use of COVID-19 vaccines can be found at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/vacc-specific/covid-19.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/vacc-specific/covid-19.html)

### Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccination

#### Special situations

- **Anatomical or functional asplenia (including sickle cell disease):** 1 dose if previously did not receive Hib; if elective splenectomy, 1 dose, preferably at least 14 days before splenectomy
- **Hematopoietic stem cell transplant (HSCT):** 3-dose series 4 weeks apart starting 6–12 months after successful transplant, regardless of Hib vaccination history

### Hepatitis A vaccination

#### Routine vaccination

- **Not at risk but want protection from hepatitis A** (identification of risk factor not required): 2-dose series HepA (Havrix 6–12 months apart or Vaqta 6–18 months apart [minimum interval: 6 months]) or 3-dose series HepA-HepB (Twinrix at 0, 1, 6 months [minimum intervals: dose 1 to dose 2: 4 weeks / dose 2 to dose 3: 5 months])

#### Special situations

- **At risk for hepatitis A virus infection:** 2-dose series HepA or 3-dose series HepA-HepB as above
  - **Chronic liver disease** (e.g., persons with hepatitis B, hepatitis C, cirrhosis, fatty liver disease, alcoholic liver disease, autoimmune hepatitis, alanine aminotransferase [ALT] or aspartate aminotransferase [AST] level greater than twice the upper limit of normal)
  - **HIV infection**
  - **Men who have sex with men**
  - **Injection or noninjection drug use**

- **Persons experiencing homelessness**
- **Work with hepatitis A virus** in research laboratory or with nonhuman primates with hepatitis A virus infection
- **Travel in countries with high or intermediate endemic hepatitis A** (HepA-HepB [Twinrix] may be administered on an accelerated schedule of 3 doses at 0, 7, and 21–30 days, followed by a booster dose at 12 months)
- **Close, personal contact with international adoptee** (e.g., household or regular babysitting) in first 60 days after arrival from country with high or intermediate endemic hepatitis A (administer dose 1 as soon as adoption is planned, at least 2 weeks before adoptee's arrival)
- **Pregnancy** if at risk for infection or severe outcome from infection during pregnancy
- **Settings for exposure, including** health care settings targeting services to injection or noninjection drug users or group homes and nonresidential day care facilities for developmentally disabled persons (individual risk factor screening not required)

### Hepatitis B vaccination

#### Routine vaccination

- **Not at risk but want protection from hepatitis B** (identification of risk factor not required): 2- or 3-dose series (2-dose series Heplisav-B at least 4 weeks apart [2-dose series HepB only applies when 2 doses of Heplisav-B are used at least 4 weeks apart] or 3-dose series Engerix-B or Recombivax HB at 0, 1, 6 months [minimum intervals: dose 1 to dose 2: 4 weeks / dose 2 to dose 3: 8 weeks / dose 1 to dose 3: 16 weeks]) or 3-dose series HepA-HepB (Twinrix at 0, 1, 6 months [minimum intervals: dose 1 to dose 2: 4 weeks / dose 2 to dose 3: 5 months])

#### Special situations

- **At risk for hepatitis B virus infection:** 2-dose (Heplisav-B) or 3-dose (Engerix-B, Recombivax HB) series or 3-dose series HepA-HepB (Twinrix) as above
  - **Chronic liver disease** (e.g., persons with hepatitis C, cirrhosis, fatty liver disease, alcoholic liver disease, autoimmune hepatitis, alanine aminotransferase [ALT] or aspartate aminotransferase [AST] level greater than twice upper limit of normal)
  - **HIV infection**
  - **Sexual exposure risk** (e.g., sex partners of hepatitis B surface antigen [HBsAg]-positive persons; sexually active persons not in mutually monogamous relationships; persons seeking evaluation or treatment for a sexually transmitted infection; men who have sex with men)

- **Current or recent injection drug use**
- **Percutaneous or mucosal risk for exposure to blood** (e.g., household contacts of HBsAg-positive persons; residents and staff of facilities for developmentally disabled persons; health care and public safety personnel with reasonably anticipated risk for exposure to blood or blood-contaminated body fluids; hemodialysis, peritoneal dialysis, home dialysis, and predialysis patients; persons with diabetes mellitus age younger than 60 years, shared clinical decision-making for persons age 60 years or older)
- **Incarcerated persons**
- **Travel in countries with high or intermediate endemic hepatitis B**
- **Pregnancy** if at risk for infection or severe outcome from infection during pregnancy (Heplisav-B not currently recommended due to lack of safety data in pregnant women)

### Human papillomavirus vaccination

#### Routine vaccination

- **HPV vaccination recommended for all persons through age 26 years:** 2- or 3-dose series depending on age at initial vaccination or condition:
  - **Age 15 years or older at initial vaccination:** 3-dose series at 0, 1–2 months, 6 months (minimum intervals: dose 1 to dose 2: 4 weeks / dose 2 to dose 3: 12 weeks / dose 1 to dose 3: 5 months; repeat dose if administered too soon)
  - **Age 9–14 years at initial vaccination and received 1 dose or 2 doses less than 5 months apart:** 1 additional dose
  - **Age 9–14 years at initial vaccination and received 2 doses at least 5 months apart:** HPV vaccination series complete, no additional dose needed
- **Interrupted schedules:** If vaccination schedule is interrupted, the series does not need to be restarted
- **No additional dose recommended after completing series with recommended dosing intervals using any HPV vaccine**

#### Shared clinical decision-making

- **Some adults age 27–45 years:** Based on shared clinical decision-making, 2- or 3-dose series as above

#### Special situations

- **Age ranges recommended above for routine and catch-up vaccination or shared clinical decision-making also apply in special situations**

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- **Immunocompromising conditions, including HIV infection:** 3-dose series as above, regardless of age at initial vaccination
- **Pregnancy:** HPV vaccination not recommended until after pregnancy; no intervention needed if vaccinated while pregnant; pregnancy testing not needed before vaccination

### Influenza vaccination

#### Routine vaccination

- **Persons age 6 months or older:** 1 dose any influenza vaccine appropriate for age and health status annually
- For additional guidance, see [www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/index.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/index.htm)

#### Special situations

- **Egg allergy, hives only:** 1 dose any influenza vaccine appropriate for age and health status annually
- **Egg allergy—any symptom other than hives** (e.g., angioedema, respiratory distress): 1 dose any influenza vaccine appropriate for age and health status annually. If using an influenza vaccine other than RIV4 or cLIV4, administer in medical setting under supervision of health care provider who can recognize and manage severe allergic reactions.
- Severe allergic reactions to any vaccine can occur even in the absence of a history of previous allergic reaction. Therefore, all vaccine providers should be familiar with the office emergency plan and certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
- A previous severe allergic reaction to any influenza vaccine is a contraindication to future receipt of the vaccine.
- **LAIV4 should not be used** in persons with the following conditions or situations:
  - History of severe allergic reaction to any vaccine component (excluding egg) or to a previous dose of any influenza vaccine
  - Immunocompromised due to any cause (including medications and HIV infection)
  - Anatomic or functional asplenia
  - Close contacts or caregivers of severely immunosuppressed persons who require a protected environment
  - Pregnancy
  - Cranial CSF/oropharyngeal communications
  - Cochlear implant

- Received influenza antiviral medications oseltamivir or zanamivir within the previous 48 hours, peramivir within the previous 5 days, or baloxavir within the previous 17 days
- Adults 50 years or older
- **History of Guillain-Barré syndrome within 6 weeks after previous dose of influenza vaccine:** Generally, should not be vaccinated unless vaccination benefits outweigh risks for those at higher risk for severe complications from influenza

### Measles, mumps, and rubella vaccination

#### Routine vaccination

- **No evidence of immunity to measles, mumps, or rubella:** 1 dose
  - **Evidence of immunity:** Born before 1957 (health care personnel, see below), documentation of receipt of MMR vaccine, laboratory evidence of immunity or disease (diagnosis of disease without laboratory confirmation is not evidence of immunity)

#### Special situations

- **Pregnancy with no evidence of immunity to rubella:** MMR contraindicated during pregnancy; after pregnancy (before discharge from health care facility), 1 dose
- **Nonpregnant women of childbearing age with no evidence of immunity to rubella:** 1 dose
- **HIV infection with CD4 count  $\geq 200$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup> for at least 6 months and no evidence of immunity to measles, mumps, or rubella:** 2-dose series at least 4 weeks apart; MMR contraindicated for HIV infection with CD4 count  $< 200$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup>
- **Severe immunocompromising conditions:** MMR contraindicated
- **Students in postsecondary educational institutions, international travelers, and household or close, personal contacts of immunocompromised persons with no evidence of immunity to measles, mumps, or rubella:** 2-dose series at least 4 weeks apart if previously did not receive any doses of MMR or 1 dose if previously received 1 dose MMR
- **Health care personnel:**
  - **Born in 1957 or later with no evidence of immunity to measles, mumps, or rubella:** 2-dose series at least 4 weeks apart for measles or mumps or at least 1 dose for rubella

- **Born before 1957 with no evidence of immunity to measles, mumps, or rubella:** Consider 2-dose series at least 4 weeks apart for measles or mumps or 1 dose for rubella

### Meningococcal vaccination

#### Special situations for MenACWY

- **Anatomical or functional asplenia (including sickle cell disease), HIV infection, persistent complement component deficiency, complement inhibitor (e.g., eculizumab, ravulizumab) use:** 2-dose series MenACWY-D (Menactra, Menveo or MenQuadfi) at least 8 weeks apart and revaccinate every 5 years if risk remains
- **Travel in countries with hyperendemic or epidemic meningococcal disease, microbiologists routinely exposed to *Neisseria meningitidis*:** 1 dose MenACWY (Menactra, Menveo or MenQuadfi) and revaccinate every 5 years if risk remains
- **First-year college students who live in residential housing (if not previously vaccinated at age 16 years or older) and military recruits:** 1 dose MenACWY (Menactra, Menveo or MenQuadfi)
- For MenACWY **booster dose recommendations** for groups listed under “Special situations” and in an outbreak setting (e.g., in community or organizational settings and among men who have sex with men) and additional meningococcal vaccination information, see [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/rr/rr6909a1.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/rr/rr6909a1.htm)

#### Shared clinical decision-making for MenB

- **Adolescents and young adults age 16–23 years (age 16–18 years preferred) not at increased risk for meningococcal disease:** Based on shared clinical decision-making, 2-dose series MenB-4C (Bexsero) at least 1 month apart or 2-dose series MenB-FHbp (Trumenba) at 0, 6 months (if dose 2 was administered less than 6 months after dose 1, administer dose 3 at least 4 months after dose 2); MenB-4C and MenB-FHbp are not interchangeable (use same product for all doses in series)

#### Special situations for MenB

- **Anatomical or functional asplenia (including sickle cell disease), persistent complement component deficiency, complement inhibitor (e.g., eculizumab, ravulizumab) use, microbiologists routinely exposed to *Neisseria meningitidis*:** 2-dose primary series MenB-4C (Bexsero) at least one month apart or

- MenB-4C (Bexsero) at least 1 month apart or 3-dose primary series MenB-FHbp (Trumenba) at 0, 1–2, 6 months (if dose 2 was administered at least 6 months after dose 1, dose 3 not needed); MenB-4C and MenB-FHbp are not interchangeable (use same product for all doses in series); 1 dose MenB booster 1 year after primary series and revaccinate every 2–3 years if risk remains
- **Pregnancy:** Delay MenB until after pregnancy unless at increased risk and vaccination benefits outweigh potential risks
- For MenB **booster dose recommendations** for groups listed under “Special situations” and in an outbreak setting (e.g., in community or organizational settings and among men who have sex with men) and additional meningococcal vaccination information, see [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/rr/rr6909a1.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/rr/rr6909a1.htm)

## Pneumococcal vaccination

### Routine vaccination

- **Age 65 years or older** (immunocompetent—see [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/68/wr/mm6846a5.htm?s\\_cid=mm6846a5\\_w](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/68/wr/mm6846a5.htm?s_cid=mm6846a5_w)): 1 dose PPSV23
  - If PPSV23 was administered prior to age 65 years, administer 1 dose PPSV23 at least 5 years after previous dose

### Shared clinical decision-making

- **Age 65 years or older** (immunocompetent): 1 dose PCV13 based on **shared clinical decision-making** if previously not administered.
  - PCV13 and PPSV23 should not be administered during the same visit
  - If both PCV13 and PPSV23 are to be administered, PCV13 should be administered first
  - PCV13 and PPSV23 should be administered at least 1 year apart

### Special situations

- **Age 19–64 years with chronic medical conditions (chronic heart [excluding hypertension], lung, or liver disease, diabetes), alcoholism, or cigarette smoking:** 1 dose PPSV23

- **Age 19 years or older with immunocompromising conditions (congenital or acquired immunodeficiency [including B- and T-lymphocyte deficiency, complement deficiencies, phagocytic disorders, HIV infection], chronic renal failure, nephrotic syndrome, leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin disease, generalized malignancy, iatrogenic immunosuppression [e.g., drug or radiation therapy], solid organ transplant, multiple myeloma) or anatomical or functional asplenia (including sickle cell disease and other hemoglobinopathies):** 1 dose PCV13 followed by 1 dose PPSV23 at least 8 weeks later, then another dose PPSV23 at least 5 years after previous PPSV23; at age 65 years or older, administer 1 dose PPSV23 at least 5 years after most recent PPSV23 (note: only 1 dose PPSV23 recommended at age 65 years or older)
- **Age 19 years or older with cerebrospinal fluid leak or cochlear implant:** 1 dose PCV13 followed by 1 dose PPSV23 at least 8 weeks later; at age 65 years or older, administer another dose PPSV23 at least 5 years after PPSV23 (note: only 1 dose PPSV23 recommended at age 65 years or older)

## Tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis vaccination

### Routine vaccination

- **Previously did not receive Tdap at or after age 11 years:** 1 dose Tdap, then Td or Tdap every 10 years

### Special situations

- **Previously did not receive primary vaccination series for tetanus, diphtheria, or pertussis:** At least 1 dose Tdap followed by 1 dose Td or Tdap at least 4 weeks after Tdap and another dose Td or Tdap 6–12 months after last Td or Tdap (Tdap can be substituted for any Td dose, but preferred as first dose), Td or Tdap every 10 years thereafter
- **Pregnancy:** 1 dose Tdap during each pregnancy, preferably in early part of gestational weeks 27–36
- **Wound management:** Persons with 3 or more doses of tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine: For clean and minor wounds, administer Tdap or Td if more than 10 years since last dose of tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine; for all other wounds, administer Tdap or Td if more than 5 years since last dose of tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine. Tdap is preferred for persons who have not previously received Tdap or whose Tdap history is unknown. If a tetanus-toxoid-containing vaccine is indicated for a pregnant woman, use Tdap. For detailed information, see [www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6903a5.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6903a5.htm)

## Varicella vaccination

### Routine vaccination

- **No evidence of immunity to varicella:** 2-dose series 4–8 weeks apart if previously did not receive varicella-containing vaccine (VAR or MMRV [measles-mumps-rubella-varicella vaccine] for children); if previously received 1 dose varicella-containing vaccine, 1 dose at least 4 weeks after first dose
  - Evidence of immunity: U.S.-born before 1980 (except for pregnant women and health care personnel [see below]), documentation of 2 doses varicella-containing vaccine at least 4 weeks apart, diagnosis or verification of history of varicella or herpes zoster by a health care provider, laboratory evidence of immunity or disease

### Special situations

- **Pregnancy with no evidence of immunity to varicella:** VAR contraindicated during pregnancy; after pregnancy (before discharge from health care facility), 1 dose if previously received 1 dose varicella-containing vaccine or dose 1 of 2-dose series (dose 2: 4–8 weeks later) if previously did not receive any varicella-containing vaccine, regardless of whether U.S.-born before 1980
- **Health care personnel with no evidence of immunity to varicella:** 1 dose if previously received 1 dose varicella-containing vaccine; 2-dose series 4–8 weeks apart if previously did not receive any varicella-containing vaccine, regardless of whether U.S.-born before 1980
- **HIV infection with CD4 count  $\geq 200$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup> with no evidence of immunity:** Vaccination may be considered (2 doses 3 months apart); VAR contraindicated for HIV infection with CD4 count  $< 200$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup>
- **Severe immunocompromising conditions:** VAR contraindicated

## Zoster vaccination

### Routine vaccination

- **Age 50 years or older:** 2-dose series RZV (Shingrix) 2–6 months apart (minimum interval: 4 weeks; repeat dose if administered too soon), regardless of previous herpes zoster or history of zoster vaccine live (ZVL, Zostavax) vaccination (administer RZV at least 2 months after ZVL)

### Special situations

- **Pregnancy:** Consider delaying RZV until after pregnancy if RZV is otherwise indicated.
- **Severe immunocompromising conditions (including HIV infection with CD4 count  $< 200$  cells/mm<sup>3</sup>):** Recommended use of RZV under review