CDC IMMUNIZATION RESOURCES for You & Your Patients
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General Resources—Immunization Guidelines and Recommendations

- **IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULES:** The schedules of recommended vaccinations for all age groups are available in several formats at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules).

- **VACCINE ADMINISTRATION:** Guidelines, contraindications and precautions tables, and screening questions, as well as checklists and comforting techniques for your patients, are available at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/vac-admin/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/vac-admin/).

- **VACCINE STORAGE AND HANDLING:** Storage and handling videos, toolkits, and fact sheets based on ACIP recommendations are available at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/storage/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/storage/).

- **VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENTS (VISs):** These statements explain vaccine benefits and risks to your patients. Federal law requires you to provide this information to patients before administering certain vaccines. Print-ready versions are available at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/). Visit the Immunization Action Coalition ([www.immunize.org/vis/](http://www.immunize.org/vis/)) to find VISs translated into more than 40 languages.
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> **VACCINE ADVERSE EVENT REPORTING SYSTEM (VAERS):** The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act requires providers to report certain adverse events using the nationwide system, VAERS. It is also used to analyze data and produce reports, which are available to the public at [vaers.hhs.gov](http://vaers.hhs.gov/).

> **EPIDEMIOLOGY AND PREVENTION OF VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASES (PINK BOOK):** The Pink Book is CDC’s most comprehensive source of information on vaccine-preventable diseases and recommendations for vaccine use. An electronic version can be found at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/index.html). Hard copies can be ordered through the Public Health Foundation at [bookstore.phf.org/Store/ProductDetails.aspx?productId=27876](http://bookstore.phf.org/Store/ProductDetails.aspx?productId=27876).

> **CDC TRAVEL VACCINES:** If you or your patients will be traveling outside the United States, visit CDC’s travel vaccine web page at [wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel) for information on the recommended vaccines.

**YOU CALL THE SHOTS (YCTS):** It is important to stay current on new vaccines and recommendations. YCTS is a series of online training modules on vaccine recommendations and practices, which includes links to resource materials and self-tests to assess learning. YCTS modules are available at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.html).
THE IMMUNIZATION ENCOUNTER: A lot of work goes into a successful routine immunization clinic encounter, including vaccine administration, vaccine management and documentation, and vaccine adverse event management and reporting. This video, as well as resources for staff orientation and development, can be found at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/encounter/index.html.
Children—Resources for Health Care Professionals

> **VACCINES FOR CHILDREN (VFC):** This federally funded program provides vaccines at no cost to children who might not be vaccinated because of the inability to pay. Additional information, including how you can become a VFC provider, can be found at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/vfc/index.html.

> **PROVIDER RESOURCES FOR VACCINE CONVERSATIONS WITH PARENTS:** Materials include handouts for parents, information resources for health care professionals, and proven communication strategies and tips for effectively addressing questions you may hear from parents, as well as information for parents who choose not to vaccinate. Access information and materials to support your conversations with parents about vaccines, vaccine safety, and vaccine-preventable diseases at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/conversations.

> **INFLUENZA RESOURCES:** Influenza vaccination is recommended for everyone 6 months of age and older. Information and resources for patients, parents, and health care professionals are available at www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/index.htm.

> **PERTUSSIS RESOURCES:** Information on pertussis and pertussis vaccination, which is recommended for people of all ages, can be accessed at www.cdc.gov/pertussis.
Children—Resources for Parents

> **CDC VACCINE WEBSITE FOR PARENTS:** CDC provides parents with credible, balanced information about the benefits and risks of vaccination for their children, available at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/).

> **FACT SHEETS ABOUT VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASES:** Information for parents is available on each of the 14 diseases that can be prevented by timely immunization. Each disease fact sheet is available in 2 versions, one with basic and one with in-depth information. The fact sheets, also available in Spanish, can be found at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/conversations/prevent-diseases/provider-resources-factsheets-infants.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/conversations/prevent-diseases/provider-resources-factsheets-infants.html).

> **VACCINE SAFETY:** Information about vaccine safety basics and how vaccine safety is monitored is found on the CDC Vaccine Safety web page at [www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/).
Adolescents—Resources for Health Care Professionals

> INFORMATION ABOUT ADOLESCENT VACCINES: Information, including fact sheets on specific adolescent vaccines, trainings, and a video on how to increase vaccination coverage in your practice, are available at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/for-hcp.html.

> HPV VACCINE RESOURCES: These ready-to-use tools and resources to help you and your staff successfully communicate with parents about HPV vaccine can be found at www.cdc.gov/hpv/hcp/commit-cause.html.

> HPV VACCINATION: Information written for parents, health care professionals, and public health professionals can be found at www.cdc.gov/hpv.

> MENINGOCOCCAL RESOURCES: Meningococcal disease and vaccination information and resources for patients, parents, and health care professionals are available at www.cdc.gov/meningococcal.

> INFLUENZA RESOURCES: Influenza vaccination is recommended for everyone 6 months of age and older. Information and resources for patients, parents, and health care professionals are available at www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/index.htm.
PERTUSSIS RESOURCES: Information on pertussis and pertussis vaccination, which is recommended for people of all ages, can be accessed at www.cdc.gov/pertussis.

YOU ARE THE KEY TO CANCER PREVENTION: This presentation, which provides up-to-date information on HPV, including the infection/disease, the vaccines, and ways to successfully communicate with patients and their parents, is available at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/hpv/index.html.
Adolescents—Resources for Parents and Patients

> **ADOLESCENT VACCINES (PARENTS):** This fact sheet for parents on the vaccines recommended for preteens and teens can be found at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/conversations/prevent-diseases/provider-resources-factsheets-teens.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/conversations/prevent-diseases/provider-resources-factsheets-teens.html).

> **INFLUENZA RESOURCES:** Information and resources about influenza and influenza vaccination for parents and patients, including English and Spanish fact sheets, brochures and other print materials, infographics, GIF images, widgets, and more can be found at [www.cdc.gov/flu](http://www.cdc.gov/flu).

> **VACCINE QUIZ FOR ADOLESCENTS AND ADULTS:** This web-based interactive quiz helps adolescents and adults find out which vaccines they may need. Take the quiz at [www2.cdc.gov/nip/adultimmsched/](http://www2.cdc.gov/nip/adultimmsched/).

> **VACCINE SAFETY:** Information about vaccine safety basics and how vaccine safety is monitored is found on the CDC Vaccine Safety web page at [www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/).
Adults—Resources for Health Care Professionals

> **ADULT VACCINATION RESOURCES FOR PROVIDER PRACTICES:** Information and resources on how to improve adult immunization in your practice using evidence-based strategies and tools, as well as insurance and payment resources, are available at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/adults/for-practice/.

> **GUIDELINES FOR VACCINATING PREGNANT WOMEN:** This table, found at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/preg-guide.htm, provides an overview of vaccination recommendations for pregnant women.

> **TDAP VACCINATION FOR PREGNANT WOMEN:** Specific fact sheets about making strong vaccine recommendations and/or referrals for Tdap vaccine can be found at www.cdc.gov/pertussis/pregnant/hcp/index.html.

> **PERTUSSIS RESOURCES:** Information on pertussis and pertussis vaccination, which is recommended for people of all ages (including pregnant women), can be accessed at www.cdc.gov/pertussis.

> **INFLUENZA RESOURCES:** Influenza vaccination is recommended for everyone 6 months of age and older. Information and resources for patients, parents, and health care professionals are available at www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/index.htm.
STANDARDS FOR ADULT IMMUNIZATION: All health care professionals—whether they provide vaccinations or not—can take steps to help ensure that their adult patients are fully immunized. Find resources, information, and tips to improve your vaccination practice at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/adultstandards.
Adults—Resources for Patients

> **RECOMMENDED VACCINES FOR ADULTS:** Find information about why vaccines are important and which vaccines may be recommended for your patients, depending on their age, job, lifestyle, and travel or health condition, at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/adults](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/adults).

> **RESOURCES FOR YOUR ADULT PATIENTS:** Resources for adults (general), pregnant women, travelers, adults with chronic health conditions, and health care workers, including patient handouts, posters, web buttons and banners, ready-to-publish articles, sample tweets, social media posts, and Spanish language materials are available at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/AdultPatientEd](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/AdultPatientEd).

> **TDAP RESOURCES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN:** Resources for pregnant women about Tdap vaccine, including fact sheets, posters, videos, infographics, and Spanish-language materials, can be accessed at [www.cdc.gov/pertussis/materials/pregnant.html](http://www.cdc.gov/pertussis/materials/pregnant.html).

> **INFLUENZA RESOURCES:** Information and resources about influenza and influenza vaccination for parents and patients, including English and Spanish fact sheets, brochures and other print materials, infographics, GIF images, widgets, and more can be found at [www.cdc.gov/flu/freeresources/index.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/freeresources/index.htm).
> **VACCINE QUIZ FOR ADOLESCENTS AND ADULTS:** This web-based interactive quiz helps adolescents and adults find out which vaccines they may need based on their responses to a brief set of questions. Adults can take the quiz at [www2.cdc.gov/nip/adultimmsched/](http://www2.cdc.gov/nip/adultimmsched/).

> **VACCINE SAFETY:** Information about vaccine safety basics and how vaccine safety is monitored is found on the CDC Vaccine Safety web page at [www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/).
Contact Information

> **1-800-CDC-INFO (1-800-232-4636):** CDC-INFO, CDC’s National Contact Center, is your single source for accurate, timely, consistent, and science-based information on a wide variety of disease prevention and health promotion topics, including immunization. Contact them at the number above or [www.cdc.gov/cdc-info/](http://www.cdc.gov/cdc-info/).

> **NIPINFO@CDC.GOV:** Submit your questions specifically related to immunization to this e-mail address, and you will receive an answer from a CDC immunization expert, usually within 24 hours.

> **CDC-INFO ON DEMAND:** This resource allows you to order CDC immunization publications by searching for them by topic or title at [www.cdc.gov/Publications/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/Publications/index.html).

> **STATE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAMS:** More information can be found by visiting your state/city/island’s immunization program website at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/awardee-imz-websites.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/awardee-imz-websites.html).

> **PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS:** Additional immunization resources can be found through CDC’s immunization partner organizations at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/partners.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/partners.html).