



**CDC**  
**IMMUNIZATION**  
RESOURCES for  
**You** & Your **PATIENTS**



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# **FREE** CONTINUING EDUCATION

Did you know you can get  
free Continuing Education  
for participating in CDC's  
immunization education  
programs?

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/courses.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/courses.htm)

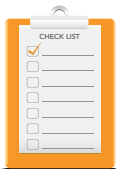
## Immunization Guidelines and Recommendations

**Immunization Schedules:** The schedules of recommended vaccinations for all age groups are offered in several printable versions as well as an interactive tool and as a downloadable application for smartphone.

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/)

**Vaccine administration:** Guidelines, screening questions and checklists for your patients, reference tables on contraindications and precautions, and comforting technique tools are available.

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/vac-admin/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/vac-admin/)



**Vaccine storage and handling:** Explore storage and handling videos, toolkits, and fact sheets to ensure your practice is storing and handling vaccines in accordance with ACIP recommendations. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/storage/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/storage/)

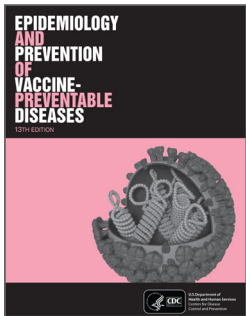
**Vaccine Information Statements (VIS):** Federal law requires you provide VIS to patients before administering certain vaccines; VIS explains both the vaccine benefits and risks to your patients. You can find print-ready VIS at: [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/). You can find VIS translated into more than 40 languages on Immunization Action Coalition's website: [www.immunize.org/vis/](http://www.immunize.org/vis/)

**Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS):** The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (NCVIA) requires you to report certain adverse events that occur following vaccination. VAERS is a system for reporting those adverse events, as well as for analyzing data from those reports and making it available to the public. [vaers.hhs.gov/](http://vaers.hhs.gov/)

## Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (Pink Book):

The Pink Book offers the most comprehensive information on vaccine-preventable diseases and recommendations for vaccine use. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/index.html)

You can order a hard copy of the book from Public Health Foundation. [bookstore.pfh.org/store/ProductDetails.aspx?productId=27876](http://bookstore.pfh.org/store/ProductDetails.aspx?productId=27876)



**CDC Travel Vaccines:** Visit CDC's travel vaccine web page to find out which vaccines your patients may need when traveling outside the United States.

[wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list)

**You Call the Shots:** You Call the Shots is a series of modules designed to provide training on vaccine recommendations, links to resource materials, and self-tests to assess learning.

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.htm)

### The Immunization Encounter: Critical Issues:

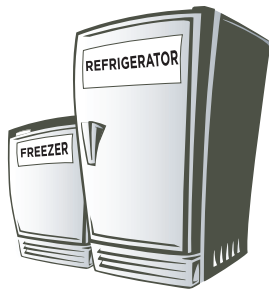
This online course addresses issues related to a routine immunization clinic encounter, vaccine administration, vaccine management and documentation, vaccine adverse event management and reporting, and resources for staff orientation and development.

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/encounter/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/encounter/)

### Keys to Storing and Handling Your Vaccine Supply:

This video is designed to decrease vaccine storage and handling errors and preserve your vaccine supply by demonstrating recommended best practices for storage and handling of vaccines.

[www2.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/shvideo/](http://www2.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/shvideo/)



**HPV YOU ARE THE KEY TO CANCER PREVENTION** This presentation provides up-to-date information on HPV infection/disease, HPV vaccine, and ways to successfully communicate with patients and their parents about HPV vaccination. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/hpv/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/hpv/)

## Resources for Healthcare Professionals



**Vaccines for Children (VFC):** A federally funded program that provides vaccines at no cost to children who might not otherwise be vaccinated because of inability to pay. Visit CDC's VFC program web page to learn how to become a VFC provider. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/vfc/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/vfc/index.html)

### **Provider Resources for Vaccine Conversations with Parents:**

Resources to help you start or continue vaccine conversations with parents. Information and materials on vaccines, vaccine safety, and vaccine preventable diseases. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/conversations/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/conversations/index.html)

**Influenza resources:** CDC offers a wealth of influenza vaccination information and resources at [www.cdc.gov/flu](http://www.cdc.gov/flu) for patients, parents, and you.

**Pertussis resources:** Pertussis vaccines are recommended for people of all ages. CDC has a variety of pertussis vaccination resources available. [www.cdc.gov/pertussis](http://www.cdc.gov/pertussis)

## Resources for Parents

**CDC Vaccine Website for Parents:** This website provides parents with credible, balanced information about the risks and benefits of vaccination for their children.

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/)

**Fact sheets about vaccine preventable diseases:**

Parents are often unfamiliar with complications associated with vaccine-preventable diseases. CDC has free parent-friendly fact sheets about each vaccine-preventable disease and the vaccine that prevents it, which you can print from your office (in English and Spanish).

[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:** You can send parents to the CDC Vaccine Safety web page to learn about vaccine safety basics, and how vaccines are monitored. [www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/)



## Resources for Healthcare Professionals



### Information about adolescent vaccines:

You will find fact sheets on specific adolescent vaccines, a video on how to increase vaccination coverage in your practice, and trainings. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/for-hcp.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/for-hcp.html)



**HPV vaccine resources:** To help improve HPV vaccination coverage rates, CDC has compiled ready-to-use tools and resources for your practice to successfully communicate with parents about HPV vaccination. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/for-hcp/hpv-resources.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/for-hcp/hpv-resources.html)

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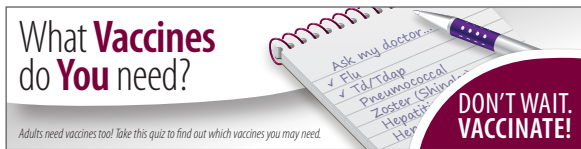
## Resources for Parents and Patients

**Adolescent vaccines (patients):** This web page provides your patients with tips for preparing for vaccination and what to do after receiving the vaccine. Patients will be able to find fact sheets written for them, based on their age group.

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/for-preteens-teens.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/for-preteens-teens.html)

**Adolescent vaccines (parents):** This web page provides your patients' parents information on why it is important to vaccinate according to the immunization schedule, as well as information on the specific vaccines their children need, school vaccination requirements, and information on paying for vaccines.

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/for-parents.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/who/teens/for-parents.html)



**What Vaccines do You need?**

*Adults need vaccines too! Take this quiz to find out which vaccines you may need.*

Ask my doctor...

- ✓ Flu
- ✓ Td/Tdap
- Pneumococcal
- Zoster (Shingles)
- Hepatitis
- Herpes

**DON'T WAIT. VACCINATE!**

**Vaccine quiz for adolescents and adults:** This web-based, interactive quiz helps adolescents and adults find out which vaccines they may need. [www2.cdc.gov/nip/adultimmsched/](http://www2.cdc.gov/nip/adultimmsched/)

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## Resources for Healthcare Professionals



**Adult vaccination resources for provider practices:** Find information on evidence-based strategies, resources, and tools to help improve adult immunization in your practice. You will also find resources for insurance and payment issues. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/adults/for-practice/](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/adults/for-practice/)



**Guidelines for vaccinating pregnant women:** Do you have questions about which vaccines your pregnant patients need? Use this table to find the general rule for vaccinating a pregnant woman with a particular vaccine. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/preg-guide.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/preg-guide.htm)

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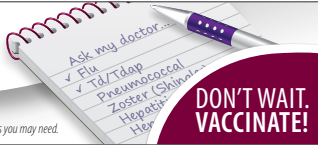
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**Standards for Adult Immunization:** CDC has resources, information and tips to improve your vaccination practice including assessment, recommendation, administration, referral and documentation. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/adults/for-practice/standards/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/adults/for-practice/standards/index.html)

## Resources for Patients

**Recommended vaccines for adults:** You can send your patients to this CDC website to learn about why vaccines are important and which vaccines may be recommended for them depending on their age, job, lifestyle, travel, or health condition. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/adults](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/adults)

**Resources for your adult patients:** Find free patient handouts, posters, web buttons and banners, ready-to-publish articles, and sample tweets and social media posts. Resources are available for the following groups of adults: adults (general), pregnant women, travelers, adults with chronic health conditions, Spanish speakers, and healthcare workers. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/AdultPatientEd](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/AdultPatientEd)



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- Pneumococcal
- Zoster (Shingles)
- Hepatitis
- Hep...


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## Contact Information

 **1-800-CDC-INFO (1-800-232-4636):** CDC-INFO is CDC's National Contact Center. It 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. [www.cdc.gov/cdc-info/](http://www.cdc.gov/cdc-info/)

 **nipinfo@cdc.gov:** You can submit immunization or vaccine-preventable disease-related questions to this e-mail address. You will get an answer from a CDC immunization expert, usually within 24 hours.

**CDC-INFO On Demand:** CDC immunization publications are available for ordering at CDC-INFO on Demand. You can search for immunization publications using the “Programs” drop down menu and selecting “Immunization and Vaccines,” or you can search by “Title.”  
[www.cdc.gov/pubs/cdcinfoondemand.aspx](http://www.cdc.gov/pubs/cdcinfoondemand.aspx)

 **@CDCIZLearn on Twitter:** This is the leading source for you on immunization training and recommendations, as well as vaccine information across the lifespan.  
[twitter.com/cdcizlearn](https://twitter.com/cdcizlearn)

**State immunization programs:** Visit your state/city/island's immunization program website to learn more. [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/awardee-imz-websites.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/awardee-imz-websites.html)

**Partner Organizations:** CDC immunization partner organizations provide a wealth of additional resources. Partner contacts can be found at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/partners.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/partners.html).