

Adult Vaccine Eligibility

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VACCINE PREVENTABLE DISEASE	ELIGIBILITY FOR FREE VACCINE	VACCINE NOT FREE BUT MAY BE RECOMMENDED BY A HC PROVIDER ¹
COVID-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annually in the fall for most adults. A second dose in the spring is recommended for specific qualifying risk factors. 	Non-mRNA vaccines are not available.
Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific medical conditions 	Not available for private purchase
Hepatitis A (HA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Born since 1982 & meet specific residency requirements Specific medical conditions or lifestyles Some case contacts during an outbreak 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific occupational risks Travellers to destinations where there is a risk of getting HA
Hepatitis B (HB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Born since 1984 Specific medical conditions or lifestyles Specific occupations and educational programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific occupational risks Travellers to destinations where there is a risk of getting HB
Human papillomavirus (HPV-2)	Not publicly funded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Females born before 1996
Human papillomavirus (HPV-9)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults younger than 27 years old 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults 27 years of age and older
Influenza (yearly) (Injectable vaccines)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standard dose flu vaccine available for adults 18-64 Enhanced formulation for those 65 years and older 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other injectable and intranasal brands and formats of flu vaccine
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Born since 1970 Born before 1970 and a non-immune post-secondary student, healthcare worker/student or childcare worker/student OR are travelling (with exceptions) Specific medical conditions with specialist referral Some case contacts during an outbreak 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-immune persons born before 1970 who do not qualify for free vaccine
Meningococcal B MenB (bivalent)	Not publicly funded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 to 25 years old
Meningococcal B (MenB4C)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific medical conditions Some case contacts during an outbreak 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 years and older
Meningococcal C (Men-C-C)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some case contacts during an outbreak 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific occupational risks Travellers to destinations with a disease risk
Meningococcal ACYW-135 (Men-C-ACYW-135)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those who did not receive in Grade 6 up to and including 21 years of age Specific medical conditions Some case contacts during an outbreak 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific occupational risks Travellers to destinations with a disease risk Travellers required to meet proof of entry requirements for specific countries
Polio (IPV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those who have not completed a vaccine series Specific occupations and educational programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travellers required to meet proof of entry requirements for specific countries
Pneumococcal 13 (Pneu-C-13)	Not publicly funded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 years and older
Pneumococcal 15 (Pneu-C-15)	Not publicly funded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 years and older
Pneumococcal 20 (Pneu-C-20)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eligibility for adults 18-64 years of age is based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved risk factor for pneumococcal disease Pneumococcal immunization history <u>and</u> Interval from last pneumococcal vaccine dose. Check with Public Health or your healthcare provider for more information. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 years and older who do not meet publicly funded vaccine eligibility criteria
Pneumococcal 21 (Pneu-C-21)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eligibility for adults 65 years and older is based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved risk factor for pneumococcal disease Pneumococcal immunization history <u>and</u> Interval from last pneumococcal vaccine dose. Check with Public Health or your healthcare provider for more information. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 years and older who do not meet publicly funded vaccine eligibility criteria
Rabies (Rab)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exposure to a suspected rabid animal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific occupational or recreational risks Travellers to destinations with a disease risk
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	Not publicly funded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 50 years and older Pregnant individuals
Smallpox/mpox (SMV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-exposure & post-exposure for specific individuals 	Not available for private purchase
Shingles (RZV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Solid organ transplant candidates and recipients Autologous and allogeneic hematopoietic stem cell recipients, including CAR-T therapy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 50 years and older 18 to 49 years old if moderately to severely immune compromised
Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Routine booster dose every 10 years Pregnant individuals (between 27-32 weeks) 	
Tetanus, diphtheria (Td)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Those who have a contraindication to Tdap vaccine Only available from public health centres 	Not available for private purchase
Varicella (Var)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Born since 1993 Non-immune females of childbearing age who are not currently pregnant Non-immune healthcare worker or student Specific medical conditions with specialist referral Some case contacts during an outbreak 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-immune persons born before 1993
Travel vaccines - various	Not publicly funded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Varies by destination

¹The Ministry of Health doesn't reimburse costs for privately purchased vaccines or their administration, even if recommended by a healthcare provider.