

Vaccine recommendations for immunocompetent older adults

Vaccine		Age			
		50-59	60-64	65-74	≥ 75
New since 2020	COVID-19	1 dose of the most updated formula*			
	Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)	Not indicated	1 dose, depending on risk factors**		1 dose
	Pneumococcus† Pneumococcal conjugate, PCV20 or PCV21	1 dose, depending on risk factors		1 dose	
Unchanged schedule	Influenza	1 dose annually			
	Zoster	2 doses, 2-6 months apart			
	Tetanus / Pertussis	1 dose, then Td or Tdap booster every 10 years			

*Recommendations here are for Moderna and Pfizer/BioNTech products; one additional dose is required for the Novavax product if unvaccinated. **Risk factors described at [AlosaHealth.org/Immunizations](https://www.AlosaHealth.org/Immunizations).

†PCV15 and pneumococcal polysaccharide (PPSV23) can be used as an alternative if PCV20 or PCV21 are unavailable.

Reference: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Adult Immunization Schedule by Age (Addendum updated June 27, 2024). Nov 16, 2023; www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/adult.html. Accessed July 8, 2024.

Usual Medicare coverage immunizations

Vaccine	Clinician office (Medicare Part B)	Pharmacy (Medicare Part D)
Influenza	✓	✓
Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)	✗	✓
Pneumococcal PCV15, PCV20, PCV21, PPSV23	✓	✗
COVID-19	✓	✓
Tetanus / Pertussis	✗	✓
Zoster	✗	✓

Newly approved vaccinations may not be immediately covered by all Medicare plans.
Non-Medicare patients may receive vaccinations in different settings and may be subject to copays.



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