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2021 Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule ВΥ

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IMPORTANT REMINDER: All providers must revalidate the Medical Assistance (MA) enrollment of each service location every 5 years. Providers should log into PROMISe to check the revalidation dates of each service location and submit revalidation applications at least 60 days prior to the revalidation dates. Enrollment (revalidation) applications may be found at: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/PROMISe-Enrollment.aspx.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this bulletin is to issue the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule for ages 18 years or younger, United States, 2021.

This bulletin supersedes Medical Assistance (MA) Bulletin 99-20-03, titled, "2020 Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule," issued November 12, 2020.

SCOPE:

This bulletin applies to all providers enrolled in the MA Program who administer immunizations and provide services in the Fee-for-Service and managed care delivery systems.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

As stated in 55 Pa. Code § 1241.42(2), the Department of Human Services (Department) is authorized to issue immunization guidelines based on recommendations of recognized medical organizations involved in children's health care. To ensure that children and adolescents enrolled in MA receive immunizations that conform to nationally recognized standards, the Department is updating its immunization guidelines to conform to the Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule for ages 18 years or younger, United States, 2021 (2021 Immunization Schedule).

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS BULLETIN SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO:

The appropriate toll-free number for your provider type.

Visit the Office of Medical Assistance Programs website at https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/Health%20Care%20for%20Providers/Contact-Information-for-Providers.aspx.

Providers are to follow the attached 2021 Immunization Schedule, which is comprised of three tables and a series of related notes. The three tables are as follows:

- Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule for ages 18 years or younger, United States, 2021 (Table 1);
- Recommended Catch-up Immunization Schedule for Children and Adolescents Who Start Late or Who Are More than 1 month Behind, United States, 2021 (Table 2); and
- Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule by Medical Indication, United States, 2021 (Table 3).

The 2021 Immunization Schedule, in conjunction with the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), includes new or updated guidance for influenza vaccine (4) meningococcal serogroups A, C, W, and Y (MenACWY) vaccines (5), and COVID-19 vaccines (1,2). The 2021 Immunization Schedule and ACIP guidance also include clarification of the recommendations for diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine (DTaP), Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine (Hib), hepatitis A vaccine (HepA), hepatitis B vaccine (HepB), human papillomavirus vaccine (HPV), pneumococcal vaccines (PCV13 and PPSV23), measles, mumps, and rubella virus vaccine (MMR), tetanus toxoid, reduced diphtheria toxoid, and acellular pertussis vaccine (Tdap), and varicella vaccine (VAR). See *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report* Volume 70, February 12, 2021, which can be found at: https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/pdfs/mm7006a1-H.pdf.

As explained by ACIP in the *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report Volume 70, February 12, 2021*, the overall appearance of the 2021 Immunization Schedule has been updated. These changes are in all portions of the immunization schedule, including the cover page, routine immunization schedule (Table 1), catch-up schedule (Table 2), medical indications for each vaccine (Table 3), and notes with details for each vaccine. The changes identified by ACIP are set forth below:

Cover page

- The American Academy of Physician Assistants and the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners have been added to the list of organizations that approve the child and adolescent immunization schedule.
- MenACWY-TT (MenQuadfi) and Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed, Inactivated Poliovirus, *Haemophilus* b Conjugate and Hepatitis B Vaccine (Vaxelis) have been added to the table of vaccine abbreviations/trade names.
- The abbreviation for live attenuated influenza vaccine (LAIV) was changed to LAIV4.

Table 1

- HepB row: Arrows have been added to clarify the recommended ages for administering the second dose.
- LAIV: The abbreviation was changed to LAIV4.

• Table 3

- Legend: The text that defines the red box has been edited to include "Vaccinate after pregnancy." The text now reads "Not recommended/contraindicated—vaccine should not be administered. *Vaccinate after pregnancy."
- LAIV: The abbreviation was changed to LAIV4.
- MMR row: An asterisk has been added in the pregnancy column. The asterisk links to the descriptive text "*Vaccinate after pregnancy" in the red box of the table's legend.
- VAR row: An asterisk has been added in the pregnancy column. The asterisk links to the descriptive text "*Vaccinate after pregnancy" in the red box of the table's legend.
- HPV row: The color for the pregnancy column has been changed from pink to red; an asterisk has also been added. The asterisk links to the descriptive text "*Vaccinate after pregnancy" in the red box of the table's legend.

Notes

- Additional Information: The section has been updated to include COVID-19 vaccination recommendations.
- DTaP: A "Special situations" section has been added that contains information regarding the recommendation for use of DTaP vaccine in wound management.
- Hib: Text has been added to clarify the recommendations for catch-up vaccination. A bullet has been added to indicate that no further doses are needed if a dose was administered at age ≥15 months.
- HepA: The note was updated to clarify information on the accelerated 4-dose series of combined HepA-HepB vaccine. The fourth dose at month 12 is a booster dose.
- HepB: Additional text has been added to emphasize the birth dose in the vaccination note. The sentence on recommendations for infants born to an HBsAg-negative mother and weighing <2,000 g has been updated with language to provide further clarification regarding when the vaccine can be administered.
- HepB: The note was updated to clarify information on the accelerated 4-dose series of combined HepA-HepB vaccine. The fourth dose at month 12 is a booster dose.
- o **HPV:** The note has been updated to clarify that if the vaccination schedule is interrupted, the series does not need to be restarted.
- Influenza vaccination: The note has been updated to reflect the recommendations for the 2020–21 influenza season. The "Special situations" section was updated with language for persons who have egg allergy with symptoms other than hives, and two new bullets were added with information on severe allergic reactions after influenza vaccination. The abbreviation LAIV was changed to LAIV4. In addition, the bullets that outline circumstances under which LAIV4 should not be used were updated to include children aged <2 years, and more detailed information on the use of LAIV4 after receipt of influenza antiviral medications to account for newer antivirals with longer half-lives was added.</p>

- MenACWY: MenACWY-TT (MenQuadfi) has been added to the list of vaccines in the sections on routine vaccination, catch-up vaccination, and special situations. In addition, the "Special situations" section has been updated with information on the recommendations for the use of MenACWY-CRM (Menveo) in infants who received dose 1 at age 3–6 months.
- Pneumococcal vaccination: Text has been added to the "Special situations" section of the note to clarify the recommendations for administering PPSV23 after PCV13.
- Tdap: A "Special situations" section has been added to the note that contains information regarding the recommendation for use of Tdap vaccine in wound management.

For guidance on immunization recommendations, providers are advised to use the tables and the notes together. The 2021 Immunization Schedule is recommended by ACIP and approved by the CDC, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Academy of Family Physicians, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the American College of Nurse-Midwives, the American Academy of Physician Assistants, and the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners.

PROCEDURE:

Providers should carefully review the 2021 Immunization Schedule for detailed information on the appropriate dosages and ages for the administration of vaccines and replace their current immunization schedule with the attached 2021 Immunization Schedule. Additional information is available from the CDC at: https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/index.html.

The National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act requires that health care providers provide parents or patients with copies of Vaccine Information Statements before administering each dose of the vaccines listed in the schedule. Additional information is available from the CDC at: http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/index.html.

IMMUNIZATION GUIDANCE DURING COVID-19:

The CDC has released interim guidance for Immunization Services during the COVID19 pandemic. With reduced vaccine administration during the COVID-19 pandemic, unvaccinated or undervaccinated patients are susceptible to preventable illness and communities are at risk for outbreaks. Implementation of strategies to promote adherence to the 2021 Immunization Schedule and ensure catch-up vaccination is important, especially for children. The full guidance is available at: https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pandemic-guidance/index.html.

Providers are also to follow guidance issued by the American Academy of Pediatrics regarding the provision of well-child visits during the COVID-19 pandemic. Since the onset of the pandemic, a decrease in well-child visits has resulted in delays in vaccinations, screenings, and referrals. Pediatricians should identify children who have missed well-child visits and/or recommended vaccinations and work with families to bring children up to date given the potential for other vaccine preventable disease outbreaks. Consistent with previous guidance,

all well-child care should occur in person whenever possible and within the child's medical home where continuity of care may be established and maintained. For practices who have successfully implemented telehealth to provide appropriate elements of the well-child exam virtually, these telehealth visits should continue to be supported, followed by a timely in-person visit. The full guidance is available at: https://services.aap.org/en/pages/2019-novel-coronavirus-covid-19-infections/clinical-guidance/guidance-on-providing-pediatric-well-care-during-covid-19/.

OBSOLETE BULLETIN:

This bulletin obsoletes MA Bulletin 99-20-03, issued November 12, 2020.

ATTACHMENT:

Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule for ages 18 years or younger, UNITED STATES, 2021

Abbreviations Trade names

Vaccines in the Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule*

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

*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.

MMRV

ProOuad®

Measles, mumps, rubella, and varicella vaccine

How to use the child/adolescent immunization schedule

Determine recommended vaccine by age (Table 1)

Determine recommended interval for catch-up vaccination (Table 2)

Assess need for additional recommended vaccines by medical condition and other indications situations (Table 3)

Review vaccine types, frequencies, intervals, and considerations for special (Notes)

Recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip) and approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (www.cdc.gov), American Academy of Pediatrics (www.aap.org), American Academy of Family Physicians (www.aafp.org), American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (www.acog.org), American College of Nurse-Midwives (www.midwife.org), American Academy of Physician Assistants (www.aapa.org), and National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (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 or 800-822-7967



Download the CDC Vaccine Schedules App for providers at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/schedule-app.html.

Helpful information

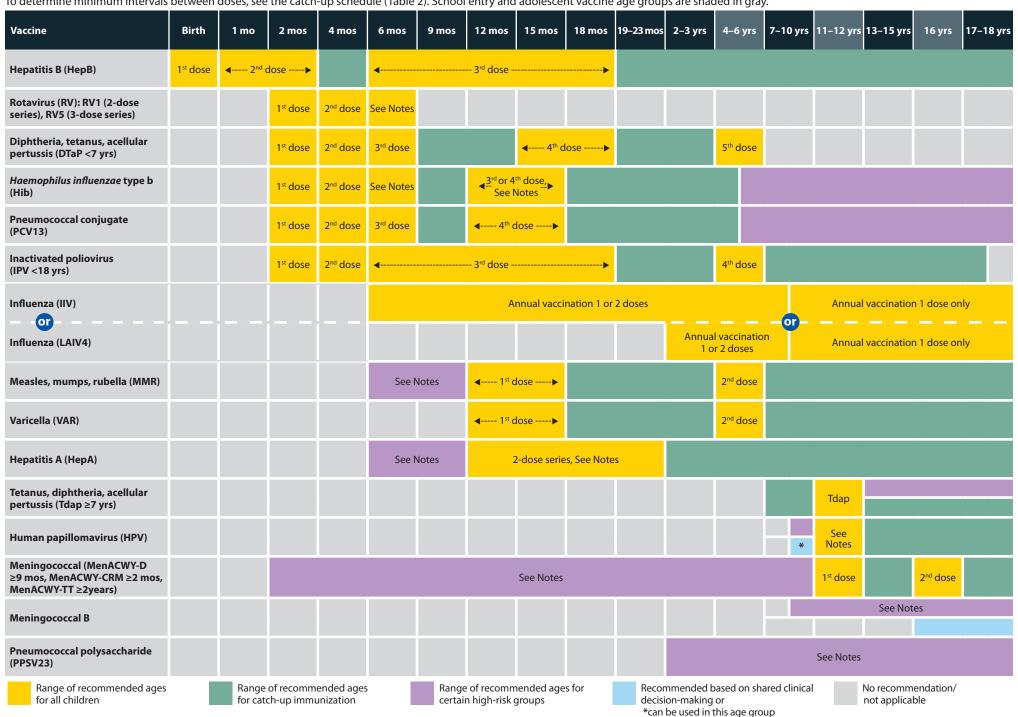
- Complete ACIP recommendations: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html
- General Best Practice Guidelines for Immunization: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/index.html
- Outbreak information (including case identification and outbreak response), see Manual for the Surveillance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



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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.





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



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.

					INI	DICATION				
VACCINE	Pregnancy	Immunocom promised status (excluding HIV infection)	HIV infection <15% and total CD4 cell count of <200/mm ³	≥15% and total CD4 cell count of ≥200/mm ³	Kidney failure, end-stage renal disease, or on hemodialysis	Heart disease or chronic lung disease	CSF leak or cochlear implant	Asplenia or persistent complement component deficiencies	Chronic liver disease	Diabetes
Hepatitis B										
Rotavirus		SCID ²								
Diphtheria, tetanus, and acellular pertussis (DTaP)										
Haemophilus influenzae type b										
Pneumococcal conjugate										
Inactivated poliovirus										
Influenza (IIV)										
Influenza (LAIV4)						Asthma, wheezing: 2–4yrs³				
Measles, mumps, rubella	*									
Varicella	*									
Hepatitis A										
Tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis (Tdap)										
Human papillomavirus	*									
Meningococcal ACWY										
Meningococcal B										
Pneumococcal polysaccharide										
Vaccination according routine schedule recommended	p ri	ecommended for ersons with an additio sk factor for which the accine would be indica	onal and e nec	cination is recomr additional doses essary based on n dition. See Notes.	may be cont nedical shou	recommended/ raindicated—vaccine ıld not be administered. cinate after pregnancy.		cated if benefit appl outweighs risk	ecommendat icable	ion/not

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 and Table 4-1 (footnote D) at 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/.

- Consult relevant ACIP statements for detailed recommendations at 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/generalrecs/contraindications.html and relevant ACIP statements at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/index.html.
- For calculating intervals between doses, 4 weeks = 28 days. Intervals of ≥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 ≤4 days before the minimum age or interval are considered valid. Doses of any vaccine administered ≥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/aciprecs/general-recs/timing.html.
- Information on travel vaccination requirements and recommendations is available at 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, 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.* 31st ed. Itasca, IL: American Academy of Pediatrics; 2018:67–111).
- For information about vaccination in the setting of a vaccinepreventable 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.

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 4th 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.

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

<u>Unvaccinated* persons age 5 years or older</u>

- 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**®, 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/):
- 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 ≥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 ≥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 (3rd or 4th) 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®) 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.

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-oropharyngeal 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



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, rayulizumab) 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/):

- 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 MenOuadfi

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.

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 3rd 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.

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 2nd 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 2nd 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) 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_%20 cid=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_ cid=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.
- *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) 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.