

What Vaccines do Adults in BC need?

Vaccine (Click on the vaccine name to view the vaccine HealthLinkBC file)	Recommended and available for free:	Recommended and available at cost:	Available at cost:
<u>Chickenpox</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who have not had the disease need two doses of the vaccine. 		
<u>Hepatitis A</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults with medical or lifestyle risks. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travelers to destinations where the risk of hepatitis A is high (consult with a travel clinic). Adults with occupational risks and food handlers (the cost of the vaccine may be covered by your employer). Adults with lifestyle or other risks. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who want protection.
<u>Hepatitis B</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults born in 1980 or later. Adults with medical, occupational, lifestyle or other risks. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults living in communities or traveling to destinations where the risk of hepatitis B is high (travelers should consult a travel clinic). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who want protection.
<u>Human Papillomavirus (HPV) (HPV2, Cervarix®)</u>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women ≤ 45 years of age. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women 46 years of age and older.
<u>Human Papillomavirus (HPV) (HPV9, Gardasil®9)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women born in 1994 or later who are ≤ 26 years of age. Men ≤ 26 years of age with lifestyle or other risks. HIV positive individuals ≤ 26 years of age. Transgender individuals ≤ 26 years of age 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women ≤ 45 years of age. Men ≤ 26 years of age. Men 27 years of age and older who have sex with men. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women 46 years of age and older. Men 27 years of age and older.
<u>Influenza</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults ≥ 65 years of age, those with medical risks and other eligible individuals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who want protection. 	
<u>Measles/Mumps/Rubella</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults born in 1970 or later who have not had the diseases need two doses of the vaccine. 		

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<u>Meningococcal C Conjugate</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults born before 2002 who are 24 years of age and under who did not receive a dose of the vaccine on or after their 10th birthday. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults with occupational risks (the cost of the vaccine may be covered by your employer). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who want protection.
<u>Meningococcal Quadrivalent Conjugate</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who are medically high risk. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults with occupational risks (the cost of the vaccine may be covered by your employer). Travelers to destinations where the risk of meningococcal disease is high (consult a travel clinic). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who want protection.
<u>Pertussis (Whooping Cough)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who have never been immunized against pertussis or whose immunization history is unknown. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One dose is recommended for those who have not received the vaccine as an adult. 	
<u>Pneumococcal Conjugate</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some adults who are medically high risk. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who are medically high risk. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who want protection.
<u>Pneumococcal Polysaccharide</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults ≥ 65 years of age and those with medical or lifestyle risks. Adults living in residential care or assisted living facilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who are smokers. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults who want protection.
<u>Polio</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults at increased risk of exposure to polio due to occupation or travel. 		
<u>Shingles</u>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults ≥ 60 years of age 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults 50-59 years of age
<u>Tetanus, Diphtheria</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults, every 10 years. 		
<u>Travel vaccines</u>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Varies by destination, consult with a travel health clinic. 	

All of the vaccines listed above are available in British Columbia. Public health programs provide vaccines based on your age, gender, health, occupation, medical or lifestyle risks. For more information speak to your health care provider. Some of these vaccines may be provided for free in response to disease outbreaks. Adults may purchase any of the vaccines listed in this table that are not available for free at most pharmacies and travel clinics.