

BC ROUTINE IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE

ADULTS 18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER NOT IMMUNIZED IN CHILDHOOD

VACCINE ♦	TIMING OF IMMUNIZATION				
	1 st visit	4 weeks later	6 weeks after 2 nd visit	6 months after 2 nd visit	every 10 years
Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) Vaccine HealthFile	✓				
Td (tetanus, diphtheria) Vaccine HealthFile		✓		✓	✓
MMR ‡ (measles, mumps, rubella) Vaccine HealthFile	✓	✓			
Varicella (chickenpox) {for susceptible adults only; susceptibility assessed at 1 st visit} Vaccine HealthFile		✓	✓		
Hepatitis B (for those born in 1980 or later) Vaccine Healthfile	✓	✓		✓	
Meningococcal conjugate C (for those born in 1988 or later) Vaccine Healthfile	✓				
Pneumococcal 23 {those 65 years and older and others with specific high risk medical conditions} Vaccine HealthFile			✓ *		
Influenza {annually for those 65 years and older and others with specific high risk medical conditions} Vaccine HealthFile			✓ *		

- ♦ The hepatitis A and polio vaccines are not included in this table. The hepatitis A vaccine is available for Aboriginal adults that are 18 years of age. The polio vaccine is only recommended for unimmunized adults who are at risk of exposure to polio virus. Speak with your healthcare provider for more information.
- ‡ Two doses of MMR vaccine are recommended for all adults born after 1956. Adults born in 1956 or earlier are considered to be immune and do not need the vaccine.
- * See the vaccine HealthFile for more information on “specific high risk medical conditions” or speak to your doctor or public health nurse.