

What Vaccines do Adults in BC need?

Vaccine:	Recommended and available for free:	Recommended and available at cost:	Available at cost:
Chickenpox	Adults who have not had two doses of vaccine or the disease		
Hepatitis A	Adults with medical, occupational, or lifestyle risks		Adults who want protection
Hepatitis B	Adults with medical, occupational, or lifestyle risks		Adults who want protection
HPV vaccine (Bivalent)	Limited one time only program for young women born in 1991-1993	Women ≤ 25 years of age	Women > 25 years of age
HPV vaccine (Quadrivalent)	Women born in 1994 or later	Women and men ≤ 26 years of age Men who have sex with men	Women > 26 years of age
Influenza	Adults with medical, occupational, or lifestyle risks Adults ≥ 65 years of age	Adults who want protection	
Measles/Mumps/Rubella	Adults who have not had two doses of the vaccine or the disease(s)		
Meningococcal C Conjugate	Adults born in 1988 or later		Adults who want protection
Meningococcal Quadrivalent Conjugate	Adults who are medically high risk	Adults with occupational risks (the cost of the vaccine may be covered by your employer)	Adults who want protection
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)		Adults, once in a lifetime	

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Pneumococcal conjugate			Adults ≥ 50 years of age
Pneumococcal polysaccharide	Adults with medical or lifestyle risks Adults ≥ 65 years of age	Adults who are smokers.	Adults who want protection
Shingles		Adults > 60 years	Adults 50-59 years of age
Tetanus, Diphtheria	Adults, every 10 years		
Travel vaccines		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. 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. Speak to your health care provider for more information.