Pneumococcal Disease:
Hard to say it; easy to get vaccinated

Saving Lives: Integrating Vaccines for Adults Into Routine Care

Do You Need Pneumococcal Vaccination?

Pneumococcal disease is a very serious infection that causes pneumonia, meningitis, and blood infection. There are vaccines that can help prevent the disease or make it less severe if you get it.

Please check all that apply below to help us determine if you should receive pneumococcal vaccination during today's visit. Even if you already had one vaccination, you may need another.

Check all that apply	**✓YES**
Are you 65 years or older?	
Do you have any of these diseases or medical conditions?:	
Alcoholism	
Asthma	
Blood disorder (eg, anemia, leukemia, sickle cell anemia, etc.)	
Cancer	
Cerebro-spinal fluid (CSF) leaks	
Cochlear implants	
Diabetes	
Heart disease	
HIV/AIDS	
Kidney disease	
Liver disease	
Lung disease	
Spleen damaged, inactive or surgically absent	
Do you smoke cigarettes?	
Do you live or work at a long-term residential facility such as a nursing home?	
Have you ever received a pneumococcal vaccination or a 'pneumonia shot' in the past?	

All adults should also receive an annual influenza vaccine to reduce risk of both flu and pneumococcal disease. Any adult who has never received a Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis or "whooping cough") vaccine should get one.

If you are age 60 or older, have other chronic health conditions, or are age 26 or younger, you may need additional vaccinations. Ask us today.

Note for healthcare professionals: For more information, please refer to the Adult Pneumococcal Vaccination Guide for HCPs or visit: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/pneumo.

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