

Adults Need Vaccines Too

Adults Are at Risk



Adults are at risk for infectious diseases: In addition to age being a risk factor for certain infectious disease, adults become more susceptible due to an aging immune system and the presence of underlying health conditions.

Vaccines Can Help Prevent Deadly Diseases



Nearly **50,000 adults** in the United States die from vaccine-preventable infectious diseases or their complications each year.

\$10 Billion a Year



The total economic cost of treating adults who have influenza, pneumococcal infections or hepatitis B, the primary vaccine-preventable diseases affecting adults in the United States, is estimated to **exceed \$10 billion each year.**

The Benefits of Vaccination

**2-3
Million**

According to the WHO, vaccination is one of the most **successful and cost-effective** health interventions, preventing between 2 and 3 million deaths every year among people of all ages worldwide.

Have You Been Vaccinated?



The Healthy People 2020 goal for pneumococcal vaccination is 90% of adults 65 and older. But, as of 2011, **only 3 out of 5 Americans** age 65 and older had been vaccinated against pneumococcal disease.

Get Informed



Older adults should talk to their **healthcare providers** about vaccines to help protect against:

- Influenza
- Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis
- Pneumococcal diseases, including Pneumonia
- Shingles
- Hepatitis B.