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Nursing Home Quality Essentials Spotlight: Infection Prevention

Reducing COVID-19 Related Pneumonia: Pneumococcal Vaccines Made Simple

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As part of a contract extension from CMS, we're thrilled to relaunch Nursing Home Quality Essentials, focusing on infection prevention and control!

Join us twice a week for engaging 30-minute sessions tailored for long-term care providers. Each session will spotlight a new aspect of infection prevention, with actionable insights and strategies to integrate directly into daily practices.

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Objectives

- Contrast and compare COVID pneumonia and other types of pneumonia
- Review current CDC guidelines for pneumococcal vaccination
- Identify tools for assessment of a patient's pneumococcal vaccination status



> Reducing COVID-19 Related Pneumonia



Poll Question - True or False?

• The pneumococcal vaccine can prevent COVID pneumonia.



Poll Question - True or False?

• The pneumococcal vaccine can help prevent serious complications that can arise from being infected with COVID-19.



What is COVID pneumonia?

- VIRAL Pneumonia caused by the COVID-19 virus
- The virus infects lungs and causes them to get inflamed and filled with fluid
 - Inflammation can cause scarring or other lung damage RISK increases with each reinfection
 - Typically presents in both lungs simultaneously (bilateral)
- Being over 65 years old increases risk for developing COVID pneumonia



How common is COVID pneumonia?

Preliminary 2024-2025 U.S. COVID-19 Burden Estimates

CDC estimates* that, from October 1, 2024 through November 30, 2024, there have been:

2.2 million-4.0 million



COVID-19 Illnesses

540,000-940,000



64,000-110,000



COVID-19 Hospitalizations

7,500-13,000



COVID-19 Deaths

*Based on data from September 29, 2024 through November 30, 2024.

Download Data



How to Prevent COVID Pneumonia

- Stay up to date (UTD) on COVID vaccines
- 2024-2025 COVID vaccine recommendation:
 - One dose for most adults under the age 65
 - Two doses, ideally 6 months apart for those with moderate or severe immunocompromise
 - Two doses, ideally 6 months apart for those 65 years of age and older
 - Minimal interval is 2 months



Respiratory Co-infection: COVID-19 and Bacterial Pneumonia

- Secondary bacterial pneumonia can follow shortly after the initial infection with COVID-19 or during the recovery phase
- Co-infections risk is correlated with COVID-19 infection severity
- Those with co-infection have higher rates of complications and deaths
- Pneumococcal vaccines target BACTERIAL pneumonia



> Pneumococcal Vaccines Made Simple



Poll Question – Multiple Choice

How many times have the pneumococcal vaccine guidelines changed in the last 5 years?

- A. 1
- B. 2
- C. 3
- D. 4
- E. 5+



Pneumonia Vaccine Guidelines

- Previous guidelines
 - PCV13 (Prevnar13[®]) & PPSV23 (Pneumovax23[®])
 - Had more shared clinical decision making
- New guidelines approved in 2021 and updated in 2022 and 2024
 - PCV13 was discontinued and replaced with two, and then three competing vaccines
 - PCV15 (Vaxneuvance®)
 - PCV20 (Prevnar20[®])
 - PCV21 (Capvaxive®)
 - For previously unvaccinated individuals
 - If PCV20 or PCV21 is given, patient doesn't need PPSV23
 - IF PCV15 is given, patient DOES need PPSV23



Pneumococcal Vaccine Timing for Adults ≥ 50 years old

NEW: Age recommendation now 50 years old

Should Recommendation

Adults ≥50 years old Complete pneumococcal vaccine schedules

Prior vaccines	Option A	Option B	
None*	PCV20 or PCV21	PCV15 ≥1 year [†] PPSV23¹	
PPSV23 only at any age	≥1 year PCV20 or PCV21	≥1 year PCV15	
PCV13 only at any age	≥1 year PCV20 or PCV21	NO OPTION B	
PCV13 at any age & PPSV23 at <65 yrs	≥5 years PCV20 or PCV21	NO OPTION B	

^{*} Also applies to people who received PCV7 at any age and no other pneumococcal vaccines

[§] For adults with an immunocompromising condition, cochlear implant, or CSF leak, the minimum interval for PPSV23 is ≥8 weeks since last PCV13 dose and ≥5 years since last PPSV23 dose; for others, the minimum interval for PPSV23 is ≥1 year since last PCV13 dose and ≥5 years since last PPSV23 dose



¹ If PPSV23 is not available, PCV20 or PCV21 may be used

[†] Consider minimum interval (8 weeks) for adults with an immunocompromising condition, cochlear implant, or cerebrospinal fluid leak (CSF) leak

Pneumococcal Vaccine Timing for Adults ≥ 65 years old

May Recommendation

Shared clinical decision-making for those who already completed the series with PCV13 and PPSV23

Prior vaccines	Shared clinical decision-making option for adults ≥65 years old	
Complete series: PCV13 at any age & PPSV23 at ≥65 yrs	≥5 years PCV20 or PCV21	Together, with the patient, vaccine providers may choose to administer PCV20 or PCV21 to adults ≥65 years old who have already received PCV13 (but not PCV15, PCV20, or PCV21) at any age and PPSV23 at or after the age of 65 years old.



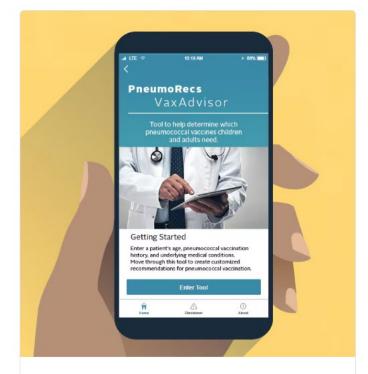
Poll Question – Select All That Apply

What barriers do you face with vaccinating residents with the pneumococcal vaccine?

- A. Confusion on who is eligible
- B. Vaccine hesitancy
- C. Vaccine access
- D. Vaccine cost
- E. Billing
- F. Staff shortages limits ability to identify needs, get consent, administer, document, bill vaccines
- G. Other

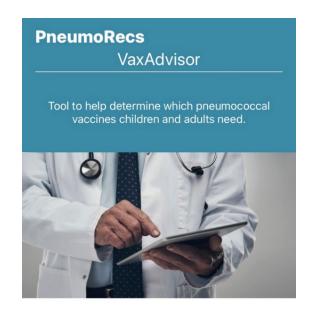


- Maintained by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
 - Mobile and web versions available
- PneumoRecs VaxAdvisor: Vaccine Provider App | CDC
 - Users enter:
 - Patient age
 - Checks specifically asked underlying medical conditions
 - Answers questions about patient's pneumococcal vaccination history
 - App provides patient-specific guidance based on Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations



PneumoRecs VaxAdvisor is available for download on iOS and Android mobile devices.





Enter a patient's age, pneumococcal vaccination history, and underlying medical conditions. Move through this tool to create customized pneumococcal vaccination recommendations.







PneumoRecsVaxAdvisor

Tool to help determine which pneumococcal vaccines children and adults need.



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Enter a patient's age, pneumococcal vaccination history, and underlying medical conditions. Move through this tool to create customized pneumococcal vaccination recommendations.

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Pneumococcal ACIP Vaccine Recommendations

Recommended Immunization Schedule for Adults

Recommended Immunization Schedule for Children and Adolescents

Pneumococcal Vaccination: Information for Healthcare Professionals

Pneumococcal Vaccine Timing for Adults (PDF)

Pneumococcal Vaccine Shared Clinical Decision-Making for Adults (PDF)



Determine the Appropriate Recommendation Using the PneumoRecs Advisor App

Scenario 1

- Patient >65 and has never received PCV15 (Vaxneuvance®), PCV20 (Prevnar20®) or PCV21 (Capvaxive®)
- DID receive PCV13 (Prevnar13®) and PPSV23 (Pneumovax23®) <u>under</u> the age of 65, no doses since
- The patient has no to specific risk factors listed under immunocompromising conditions, cochlear implant or cerebrospinal fluid leak
- What is your recommendation?



Scenario 1: Patient is >65 years old



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Please select the age group:

<19 years

19 through 64 years

≥65 years



Scenario 1: Patient never received PCV15, PCV20 or PCV21



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Has the patient ever received PCV15, PCV20, or PCV21?

•	No	
	Yes	



Scenario 1: Patient received PCV13 and PPSV23 <u>under</u> the age of 65



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Has the patient ever received PPSV23?

	lo/Unknown	
•	/es	



Scenario 1: Patient received PCV13 and PPSV23 <u>under</u> the age of 65



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Has the patient ever received PCV13?

	No/Unknown
•	Yes



Scenario 1: Patient received PCV13 and PPSV23 <u>under</u> the age of 65



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Did your patient receive PPSV23 before age 65 years or at/after age 65 years?

- Before age 65 years only
- At or after age 65 years



Scenario 1: Patient does not have risk factors of cochlear implant, cerebrospinal fluid leak, immunocompromising conditions



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Does your patient have any of the following risk factors?

- None of the below risk factors
- Yes, one of these risk factors



Risk factors

- Cochlear implant
- Cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) leak
- Immunocompromising conditions



Determine the Appropriate Recommendation Using the PneumoRecs Advisor App

Scenario 1 – PneumoRecs Advisor Recommendation

Recommendation

Give one dose of PCV20 or PCV21 at least 5 years after the last pneumococcal vaccine dose. Regardless of which vaccine is used (PCV20 or PCV21), their pneumococcal vaccinations are complete. OR

Give one more dose of PPSV23 at least 1 year after PCV13 and at least 5 years after previous PPSV23 dose. Their pneumococcal vaccinations are complete.

Print the recommendation

Patient Characteristics

Age:

≥65 years

PPSV23:

Has received prior doses Before age 65 years only

PCV13:

Has received prior doses

Risk Factors:

No risk factors



Determine the Appropriate Recommendation Using the PneumoRecs Advisor App

- Scenario 2
 - Patient >65 and has never received PCV15 (Vaxneuvance®), PCV20 (Prevnar20®) or PCV21 (Capvaxive®)
 - DID receive PCV13 (Prevnar13®) and PPSV23 (Pneumovax23®) after the age of 65
 - The patient has no to specific risk factors listed under immunocompromising conditions, cochlear implant or cerebrospinal fluid leak
- What is your recommendation?



Scenario 2: Patient is >65 years old



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Please select the age group:

<19 years

19 through 64 years

≥65 years



Scenario 2: Patient never received PCV15, PCV20 or PCV21



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Has the patient ever received PCV15, PCV20, or PCV21?

•	No	
	Yes	



Scenario 2: Patient received PCV13 and PPSV23 after the age of 65



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Has the patient ever received PPSV23?

	No/Unknown
•	Yes



Scenario 2: Patient received PCV13 and PPSV23 after the age of 65



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Has the patient ever received PCV13?

	No/Unknown
•	Yes



Scenario 2: Patient received PCV13 and PPSV23 after the age of 65



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Did your patient receive PPSV23 before age 65 years or at/after age 65 years?

- Before age 65 years only
- At or after age 65 years





Scenario 2: Patient does not have risk factors of cochlear implant, cerebrospinal fluid leak, immunocompromising conditions



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Does your patient have any of the following risk factors?

- None of the below risk factors
- Yes, one of these risk factors



Risk factors

- · Cochlear implant
- · Cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) leak
- Immunocompromising conditions



Determine the Appropriate Recommendation Using the PneumoRecs Advisor App

Scenario 2 – PneumoRecs Advisor Recommendation

Recommendation

Based on shared clinical decision-making, decide whether to administer one dose of PCV20 or PCV21 at least 5 years after the last pneumococcal vaccine dose. Regardless of whether PCV20 or PCV21 is administered, their pneumococcal vaccinations are complete.

Print the recommendation

Patient Characteristics

Age:

≥65 years

PPSV23:

Has received prior doses At or after age 65 years

PCV13:

Has received prior doses

Risk Factors:

N/A



Resources

- Influenza and Pneumonia Immunization MDS Coding Tip Sheet | Telligen QI
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- Types of Pneumococcal Vaccines | Pneumococcal | CDC
- PneumoRecs VaxAdvisor App for Vaccine Providers | Pneumococcal | CDC
 - PneumoRecs VaxAdvisor (web version)
- Pneumococcal Vaccine Timing for Adults
- PCV Vaccine Information Sheet (VIS)
- PPSV23 VIS
- Long-Term Care NHSN Resources | Telligen QI Connect
- Billing guide



Leave in Action

- Assess your most pressing challenges to vaccination uptake at your facility
 - Need help finding a vaccine clinic partner? Email: nursinghome@telligen.com
- Develop a strategy to identify patients in need of pneumococcal vaccination
- Review tools and resources available on our <u>Vax Hub</u> and in the <u>Adult Vaccine</u> <u>Toolkit</u>
- Review trainings on our <u>Learning Management System</u>:
 - Immunization Escape Room
 - Motivational Interviewing for Healthcare Providers



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