



# Be Involved in Your Health Care



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Get recommended preventive services including screening tests and immunizations. Recommendations for preventive services depend on your age, gender, health status, and family history. Find out which screening tests and immunizations are recommended for you.

- ***The Human Papillomavirus Virus (HPV) Vaccine for Women***  
<http://www.prevention.va.gov/MPT/2013/082013HPV.doc>
- ***The Pneumonia Shot***  
<http://www.prevention.va.gov/MPT/2013/082013Pneumoniashot.doc>
- ***The Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis Shot (Tdap)***  
<http://www.prevention.va.gov/MPT/2013/082013TdapShot.doc>
- ***Why Get Vaccinated?***  
<http://www.prevention.va.gov/MPT/2013/082013Whygetvaccinated.doc>

## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS RESOURCES

### Office of Public Health and Environmental Hazards

- ***Infection: Don't Pass It On***  
Infection: Don't Pass It On is a VA public health campaign established through a collaboration between the Office of Public Health and Environmental Hazards, National Center for

Patient Safety, Employee Education System, Infectious Diseases Program Office, National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention (NCP) and VA experts in infection control. The goal of the campaign is to involve staff, patients, and visitors in taking basic steps to preventing infection, whether occurring daily, seasonally, or occurring during infectious disease emergencies (natural or manmade).  
<http://www.publichealth.va.gov/InfectionDontPassItOn/>

### Pharmacy Benefits Management Service-Medical Advisory Panel, Office of Public Health and Environmental Hazards, National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention

- ***Frequently Asked Questions***  
Frequently asked questions about the Herpes Zoster (Shingles) Vaccine.  
<http://www.pbm.va.gov/PBM/clinicalguidance/faqsheets.asp>

## FEDERAL GOVERNMENT RESOURCES

You are now leaving the Department of Veterans Affairs Web site.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (HHS)

- ***Vaccines***  
Vaccines.gov is the federal gateway to information on vaccines and immunization for infants, children, teenagers, adults, and seniors. Vaccines.gov provides resources from federal agencies for the general public and their communities about vaccines across the lifespan.  
<http://www.vaccines.gov/>



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## Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

- **National Immunization Program**

A comprehensive listing of vaccine and immunization information. Find information for children, adolescents, adults, and older adults.

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/>

## Immunization

- A questionnaire for patients to see what immunizations they need.  
<http://www2a.cdc.gov/nip/adultImmSched/>
- An easy-to-read single page on adult immunizations  
<http://www.immunize.org/catg.d/p4030.pdf>

## Flu Information

- **Flu**  
Basic facts about the flu, preventing the flu and what to do if you get sick.  
<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/>
- **Information about the upcoming flu season**  
<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/season/upcoming.htm>
- **Flu.gov**  
One-stop access to U.S. Government flu information. Managed by the Department of Health and Human Services.  
<http://www.flu.gov/#>

## Hepatitis A & B Vaccine Q&A

- **Questions and answers on the Hepatitis A & B vaccines**  
Hepatitis A  
<http://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/A/aFAQ.htm#>

## Hepatitis B

<http://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/B/bFAQ.htm#>

## Herpes Zoster Vaccine Q&A

- **Questions and answers on the shingles vaccine**  
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/shingles/vaccine-need-know.htm>

## Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Q&A

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/hpv/vaccine-faqs.htm>

## Measles/Mumps/Rubella Vaccine Q&A

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/measles/faqs-dis-vac-risks.htm>  
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/mumps/vaccine-faqs.htm>  
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/rubella/default.htm>

## Meningococcal Vaccine Q&A

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/mening/default.htm>

## Pneumococcal Vaccine Q&A

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/pneumo/default.htm>

## Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis Vaccine Q&A

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/tetanus/default.htm>  
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/pertussis/default.htm>

## Varicella Vaccine Q&A

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/varicella/default-basic.htm>