# ACIP Recommendations for Adult Pneumococcal Immunization

Helping Pharmacists Assess, Recommend, Administer or Refer



Join us for CPE-accredited clinical commentary activities where our expert pharmacist faculty discuss targeted vaccination rates, identifying at-risk adults 65 years and older, herd immunity, ACIP recommendations, and strategies for counseling patients. We also share 'effective' and 'not so effective' examples of a pharmacist and patient interaction while discussing vaccine recommendations.

We also invite you to join pharmacist Dr. Michael Hogue in an exciting (non-accredited) TED-style talk as he asks for your help in an important effort to protect your patients and customers. Are YOU up to the challenge? You have done it before – let's do it again!

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# **OVERVIEW**

This educational activity is designed to increase awareness and knowledge amongst pharmacists regarding Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) updated recommendations for adult pneumococcal immunization. The activity also targets the pharmacists' important role within the

immunization neighborhood in assessing, discussing, referring, administering, and documenting vaccinations they provide to their adult patients.

#### Adult Vaccinations: Current Affairs and Pneumococcal Vaccines

- Targeted vaccination rates and surveillance data
- How to identify at-risk adults 65 years and older
- PCV13 and PPSV23-conjugate vs. polysaccharide vaccine: Serotypes, immune response, efficacy and safety data
- Herd immunity concept
- Healthy People 2020 goals

# Pharmacists' Roles in Increasing Adult Immunization Against Pneumococcal Disease

- ACIP recommendations for pneumococcal vaccination
- Opportunities to identify at-risk patients
- Strategies for counseling patients
- Future directions and expanded roles

#### TARGET AUDIENCE

This educational activity is designed for pharmacists in multiple settings who may assess, discuss, refer, and administer vaccinations to adults.

## VIEW ACTIVITY AND RESOURCES HERE

The incidence of pneumococcal disease in the U.S. is highest in adults over the age of 65 years. These patients also have more serious disease and medical costs due to hospitalization than younger adults. However, rates of pneumococcal vaccinations in older adults are suboptimal and fall below established goals despite available recommendations and awareness campaigns. In light of their patient-centered focus and accessibility, pharmacists can play an integral in improving vaccination rates by counseling patients and ensuring receipt of recommended pneumococcal vaccines.



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## Method of Participation

This activity will take approximately 45 minutes to complete. To receive credit, participants are required to complete the pre-test, view the online activity and complete the post-test and evaluation forms. To receive credit, 75% must be achieved on the post-test. A certificate will be immediately available. There is no fee to participate in the activity or for the generation of the certificate.

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