



IACW Quarterly Meeting

February 8th, 2022

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Before we begin...

- **Question or Comment for the presenter?** Type your question into the chat box and we will do our best to address them after each presentation
- **Questions about the tech (ie: I can't hear, I can't see slides, etc)?** Type your question into the chat and we will do our best to problem-solve
 - Message Ajia McAferty or Sydney Boothe in Zoom for direct assistance
- **Today's meeting is being recorded** and abbreviated slides will be available at ImmunityCommunityWA.org

Agenda

- Welcome & IACW Announcements
- WA State Department of Health Updates
- Adult Immunization Schedule Updates and Looking Ahead

5 Minute Break

- Alaska Adult Immunizations Program: Successes and Potential
- Closing

IACW Code of Conduct

Members and participants agree to support our mission and strengthen immunization efforts in Washington State that are based on evidence-based guidance from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP).

IACW Updates and Announcements

Staffing updates

- Welcome Ajia McAferty, WithinReach's new Immunizations Manager

2023 Immunization Summit

- Date in the late spring to be announced soon

DOH Updates

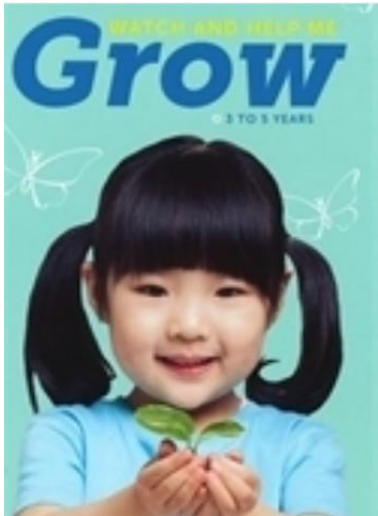
- HPV at 9
- COVID-19 Vaccines
 - Commercialization
 - Long-term Care Facilities
 - Care a Van
- Flu Vaccine Dashboard
- RSV Vaccine
- Updated Measles Webpage
 - Translated materials



FREE Childhood Immunization Booklets

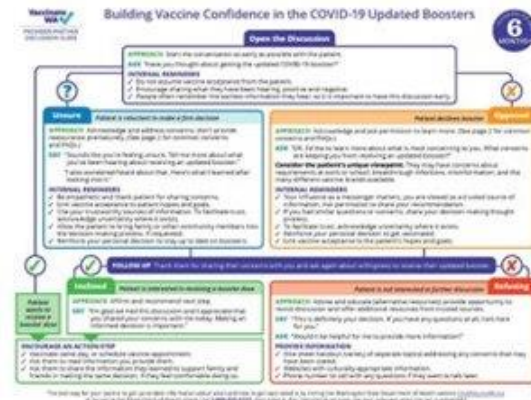
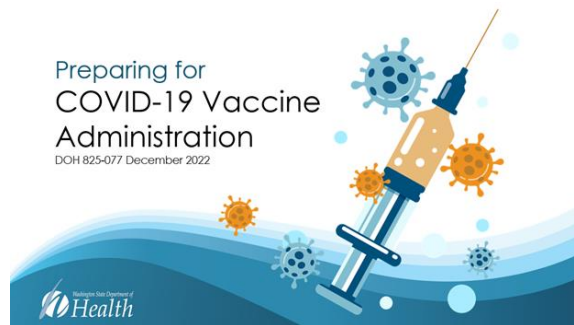
FREE!

- DOH “Plain Talk About Childhood Immunization” printed booklets are available.
 - These assist with vaccine and immunization conversations on all recommended childhood vaccines.
 - *Note: COVID-19 vaccine is not included in the current publication but is expected in the next edition.*
- Available in English, Spanish, Russian, Ukrainian
- Free delivery too.
- Place orders here: [Childhood Materials \(myprintdesk.net\)](https://myprintdesk.net/Childhood)



New or Updated COVID-19 Vaccine Resources

- Pediatric COVID-19 vaccine fact sheets, provider discussion guide, parent flyer
- Pediatric vaccine toolkit for providers
- Parent/caregiver checklist to prepare for vaccination
- Myocarditis informational sheet
- Booster dose reference guide



COVID-19 Vaccines: Pediatric Provider Toolkit

Table of Contents

- Pediatric Provider Discussion Guide
- COVID-19 Vaccine Product Characteristics and Information
- What Parents/Guardians Should Know about Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccination Flyer
- What Parents/Guardians Should Know about Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccination Flyer (Spanish)
- FAQ: COVID-19 Vaccine Safety and Effectiveness for Children and Adolescents
- FAQ: COVID-19 Vaccine Safety and Effectiveness for Children and Adolescents (Spanish)
- Communication Samples
- Sample Social Media
- Printable vaccination recognition certificate for kids
- Talking Points
- Resources

Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccines What Parents/Guardians Should Know

Why should children get vaccinated?

Since the beginning of the pandemic, over 15 million children in the United States have gotten COVID-19. Now COVID-19 variants are more dangerous and infectious to children than the original virus.

Children can also get COVID-19 by visiting and traveling without completing COVID-19 tests, such as "long COVID" or a long-term inflammatory disease called MIS-C.

Now will this help at home?

The COVID-19 vaccine can help kids protect themselves from getting COVID-19 and prevent being hospitalized or needing medical care.

Getting vaccinated will help kids stay safe and prevent being hospitalized or needing medical care.

Parents should continue to use recommended safety measures for the best protection.

How many shots do children need?

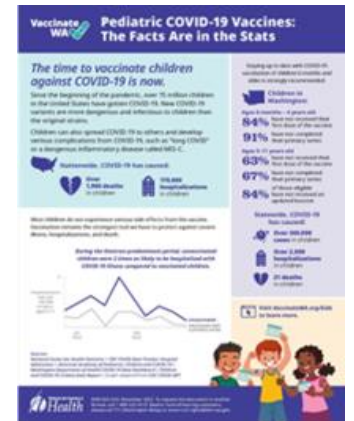
All children are recommended to receive at least the primary series.

- Children ages 4 months - 4 years get a 2-dose primary series or a 2-dose booster for primary series.
- Children ages 5-11 get a 2-dose primary series.
- Children ages 12-17 get a 2-dose primary series.

Children who received a 2-dose primary series or a 2-dose booster for primary series should get a 2-dose booster for primary series.

To get your questions answered:

Visit www.wa.gov/health
or Call 1-800-WA-HEALTH (1-800-928-4357), Press 7
or Language assistance is available.



CovidVaccineWA.org

Current Vaccine Media Campaigns

Take Care, WA

- COVID-19 prevention and vaccination
- Social media, web banners, printed materials, Parent Map articles, Google search ads
- Has reached more than 4.5 million people

Knock Out Flu

- Flu vaccination
- Social media, web banners paused until Feb 20; radio ads running now
- Has reached more than 1 million people





Questions For DOH/Jamilia?



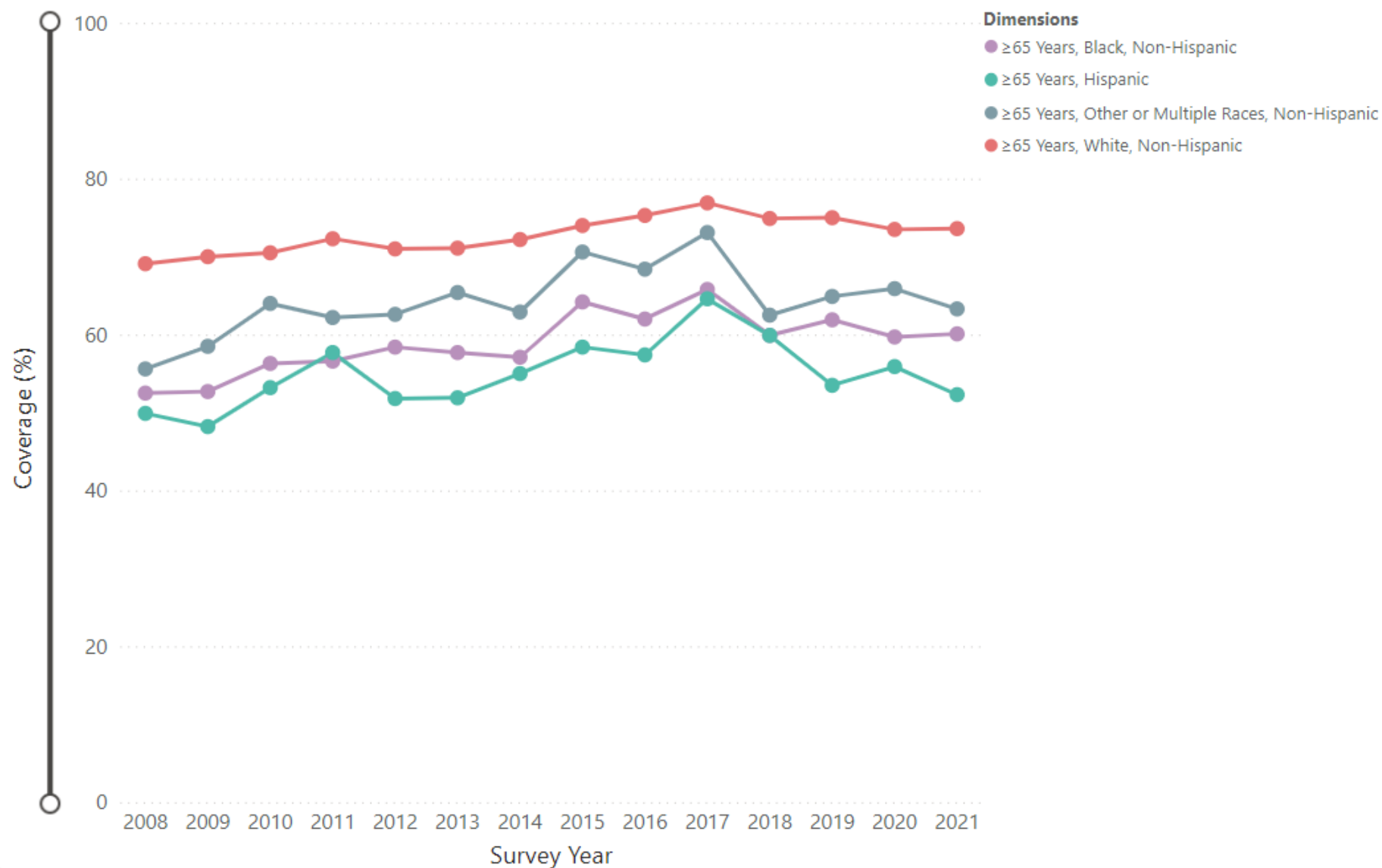
ADULT IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE UPDATES

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Section 1

ADULT VACCINE COVERAGE LANDSCAPE AND DISPARITIES

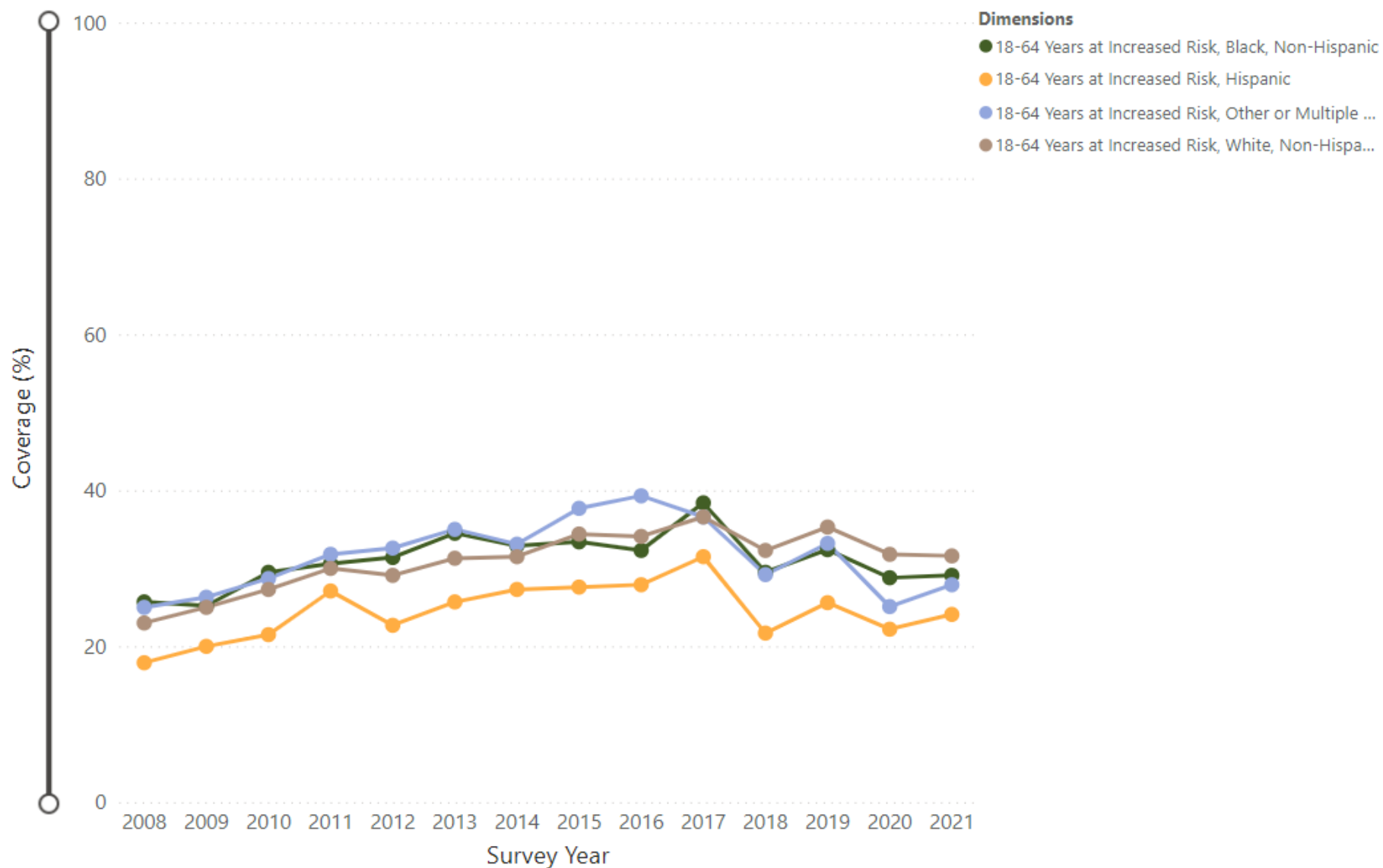
Pneumococcal Vaccination Coverage among Adults, United States, BRFSS



Pneumococcal vaccination coverage among US adults 65 and older by race/ethnicity. CDC Adult VaxView:

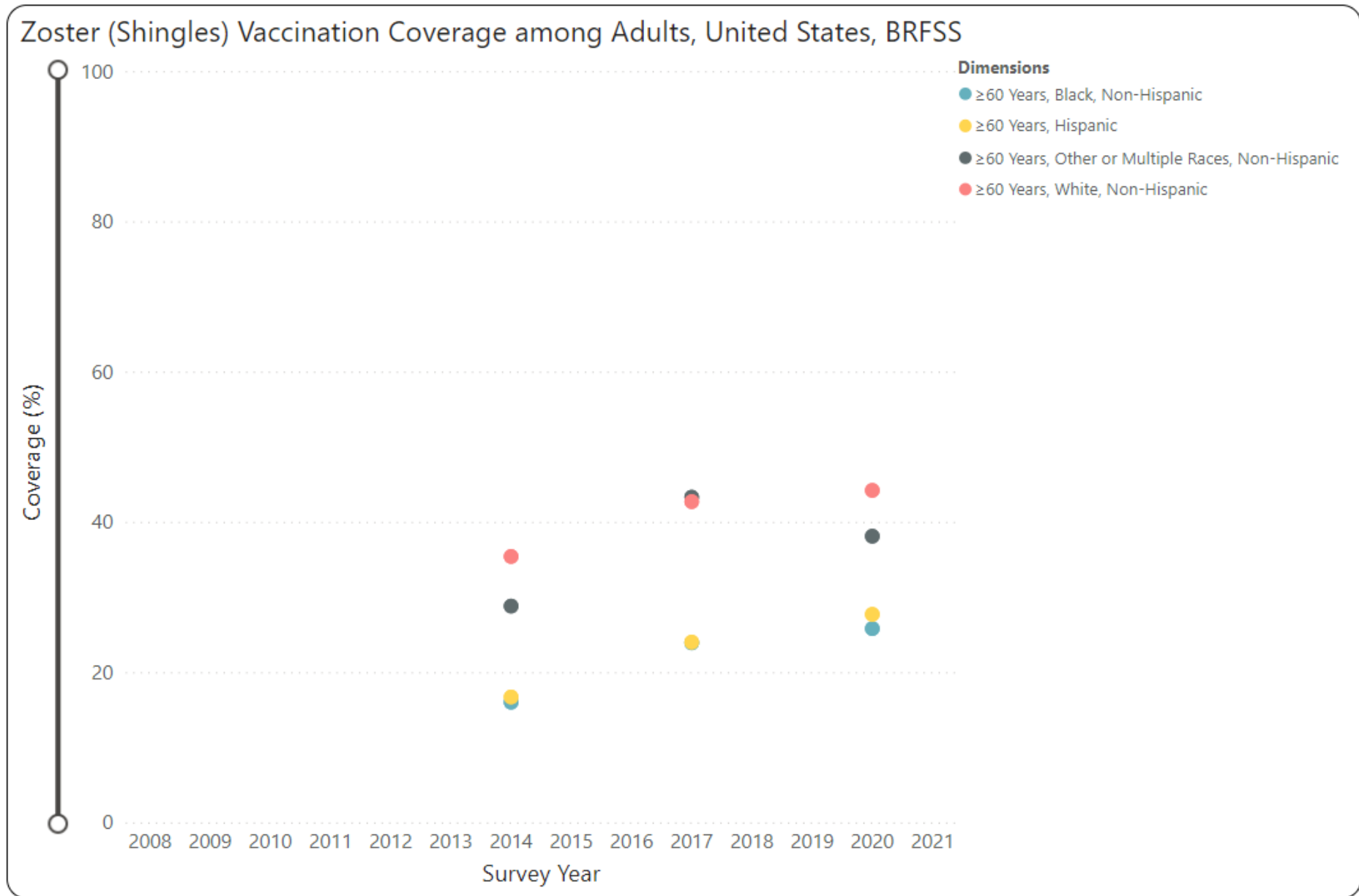
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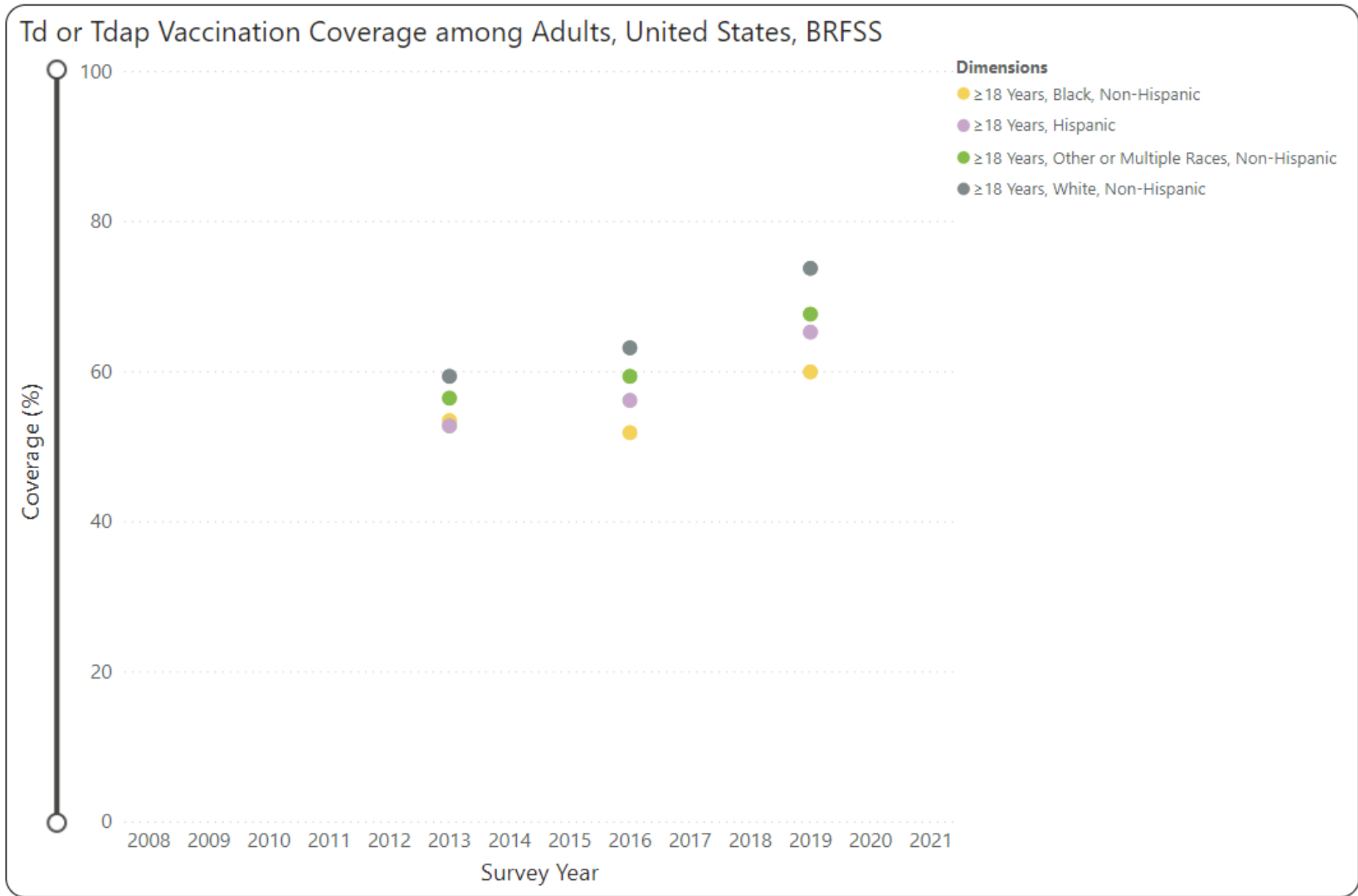


Pneumococcal vaccination coverage among US adults 18-64 at increased risk, by race/ethnicity. CDC Adult VaxView:

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/adultvaxview/data-reports/general-population/index.html>

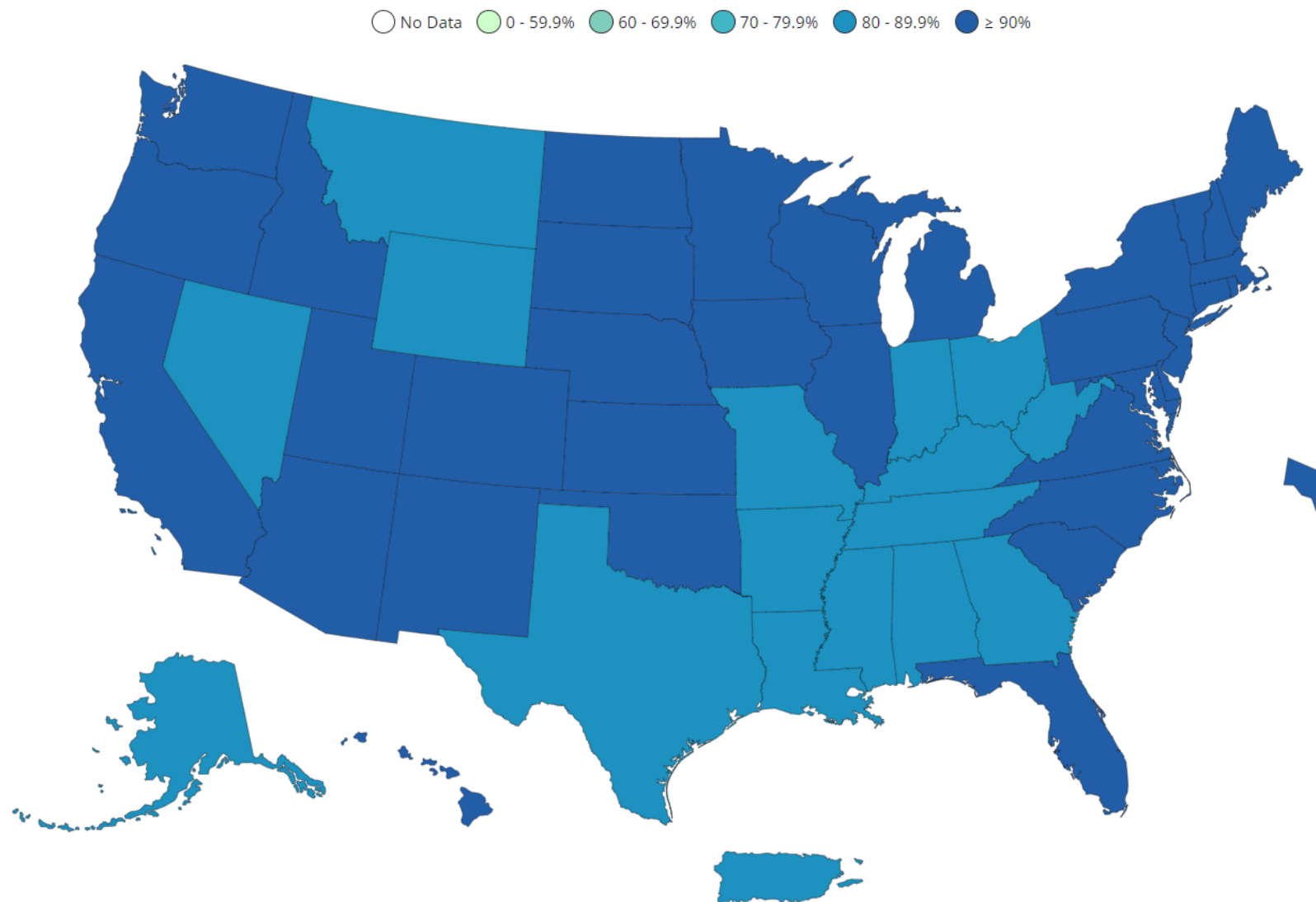


Zoster (shingles) vaccination coverage among US adults 60 and older by race/ethnicity. CDC Adult VaxView:
<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/adultvaxview/data-reports/general-population/index.html>



Td or Tdap vaccination coverage among US adults (18 and older) by race/ethnicity. CDC Adult VaxView:
<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/adultvaxview/data-reports/general-population/index.html>

Percent of the Population 65 Years of Age and Older with a Completed Primary Series Reported to CDC by Jurisdictions and Select Federal Entities



Percent of the Population 65 Years of Age and Older with a Completed Primary Series Reported to CDC by Jurisdictions and Select Federal Entities: https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccinations_vacc-people-fully-percent-pop65

Legend:

- No Data
- 0 - 19.9%
- 20.0 - 29.9%
- 30.0 - 39.9%
- 40.0 - 49.9%
- ≥ 50%

The map shows that states like Washington, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Massachusetts have the highest labor force participation rates for the 18-24 age group, while Puerto Rico has the lowest.

https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccinations_vacc-people-booster-percent-pop65

Section 2

2022 UPDATES TO ADULT IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE

What we won't cover

- [COVID-19 vaccine schedule](#)
- Vaccines for travelers
- Vaccines for specific occupational groups

Hepatitis B – universal vaccination (19-59 yrs)

- HepB vaccination recommended for all adults 19-59
- Recommended for adults 60 or older with risk factors:
 - Chronic liver disease
 - HIV infection
 - Sexual exposure risk
 - Current or recent injection drug use
 - At risk for blood exposures
 - Incarcerated persons
 - Travel
- Adults 60 or older without risk factors may choose to receive HepB vaccination

Pneumococcal vaccines – PCV update

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15

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Adult pneumococcal vaccines indications

65 years or older

19-64 years and
immunocompromised
or other risk factor

If never received pneumococcal vaccine

Option 1:
PCV20

Option 2:
PCV15 → PPSV23
one year later*

*For patients who are immunocompromised, have a cochlear implant, or known CSF leak, PPSV23 may be given at a minimum of 8 weeks after PCV15 to minimize risk of invasive pneumococcal disease

If received PPSV23 but never received PCV

PCV15 or PCV20
(at least one year
after PPSV23)

If received PCV13

| Group | <65 | 65 or older |
|--|---|---|
| Adults 65 or older | n/a | PPSV23 (>1 yr after PCV13) |
| Chronic illness | PPSV23 x1 (>1 yr after PCV13) | PPSV23 (>1 yr after PCV13 and >5 yrs after last PPSV23 dose) |
| Cochlear implant or CSF leak | PPSV23 x1 (>8 weeks after PCV13) | PPSV23 (>8 weeks after PCV-13 and >5 yrs after last PPSV23 dose) |
| Immunocompromise (including chronic renal failure) | PPSV23 x2 (1 st dose >8 weeks after PCV-13; 2 nd dose >5 yrs after) | PPSV23 (>8 weeks after PCV-13 and >5 yrs after last PPSV23 dose) |

Pneumococcal vaccine resources

- CDC, [Pneumococcal Vaccine Timing for Adults](#)
- WA DOH, [Adult Pneumococcal Vaccine Administration Algorithm](#)

Case 1: no prior pneumococcal vaccine

67 year-old with hypertension and osteoarthritis who has never received any pneumococcal vaccine

Case 1 – no prior pneumococcal vaccine

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Option 1:
PCV20

Option 2:
PCV15 → PPSV23
one year later

Case 2 – no prior pneumococcal vaccine

38 year-old with diabetes who has never received any pneumococcal vaccine

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38 year-old with diabetes who has never received any pneumococcal vaccine

Option 1:
PCV20

Option 2:
PCV15 → PPSV23
one year later

Case 3 – prior PPSV23 but no PCV

67 year-old with hypertension and osteoarthritis who previously received PPSV23

PCV15 or PCV20
(at least one year
after PPSV23)

Case 4 – prior PPSV23 but no PCV

38 year-old with diabetes who previously received PPSV23

Case 4 – prior PPSV23 but no PCV

38 year-old with diabetes who previously received PPSV23

PCV15 or PCV20
(at least one year
after PPSV23)

Case 5 – prior PCV13 but no PPSV23

67 year-old with hypertension and osteoarthritis who previously received PCV13

Case 5 – prior PCV13 but no PPSV23

67 year-old with hypertension and osteoarthritis who previously received PCV13

PPSV23 (at least
one year after
PCV13)

Case 6 – prior PCV13 but no PPSV23

54 year-old with a heart transplant who previously received PCV13



Other 2022 adult immunization schedule updates

- MenB vaccines may be administered simultaneously with MenACWY vaccines if indicated, but at a different anatomic site
- RZV is recommended for use in persons aged 19 years and older who are (or will be) immunodeficient or immunosuppressed because of disease or therapy

Hepatitis A vaccination reminders



People at increased risk for hepatitis A

- Men who have sex with men
- People experiencing homelessness
- People who use or inject drugs
- People with occupational risk
- Close contact with international adoptee
- International travelers
- People currently or recently incarcerated*



People at increased risk for severe disease from hepatitis A infection

- People with chronic liver disease (including hepatitis B or C)
- People with HIV

*WA DOH recommendation

Stay tuned for the 2023 adult immunization schedule

- CDC will likely post the 2023 [adult immunization schedule](#) sometime in February

Section 3

MPOX VACCINATION

Mpox vaccination: available vaccines



JYNNEOS

- Attenuated, non-replicating vaccine
- Safe for immunocompromised
- EUA for intradermal administration



ACAM2000

- Live vaccine
- More side effects
- Contraindicated for certain groups
- Not routinely used for mpox

Mpox vaccination: recommendations for post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)

- People who were exposed to someone with mpox
- People who were sexually assaulted

Mpox vaccination: recommendations for pre-exposure vaccination



Gay, bisexual, or other men who have sex with men, or transgender, nonbinary, or gender-diverse people, who:

- Have (or anticipate having) sexual exposures that put them at higher risk
- Had more than one sex partner in the last 6 months
- Diagnosed with a sexually transmitted infection in the past 6 months



Anyone who:

- Had sex at commercial venues, like a sex club or bathhouse, in the last 6 months
- Is sexually active in a place where mpox transmission is occurring
- Has a sex partner who is at higher risk

Section 4

NEW VACCINES ON THE HORIZON

What new vaccines might we see in 2023?

- Multiple RSV vaccines likely close to FDA review
 - Protein subunit, adenoviral vector, mRNA
- New seasonal influenza vaccines
 - mRNA and protein-based
- Men**ABC**WY
- PCV**21**
- CMV vaccine for healthy adult women (mRNA)
- Others for specific groups (Lyme, C. Difficile, Chikungunya, Dengue, Ebola/Marburg)

Biotechnology Innovation Organization, New Vaccines and Monoclonals in the Pipeline. 2022 National Adult and Influenza Immunization Summit. https://www.izsummitpartners.org/content/uploads/5a-1_New-vaccines_Arthur-1.pdf

Section 5

TAKEAWAYS

Takeaways and next steps

Vaccine coverage is fairly low for most adult vaccines

Great vaccines available—it's a great time to get vaccinated!



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Questions For Jay?

5 minute break

State of Alaska Immunization Program: Adult Program

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Alaska Immunization Program Manager
February 8, 2023



**let's talk
vaccines**

Partnering for
a Healthy AK

Agenda

- Standards for Adult Immunization
- Immunization Information System
- Vaccine Recommendations
- Alaska Vaccine Assessment Program



Standards for Adult Immunization Practice

Every Patient, Every Visit



Practice Standards for All Health Care Professionals



1. **ASSESS** immunization status of all your patients at every clinical encounter.
 - Stay informed. Get the latest CDC recommendations for immunization of adults.
 - Implement protocols and policies. Ensure that patients' vaccine needs are routinely reviewed and patients get reminders about vaccines they need.
2. Strongly **RECOMMEND** vaccines that patients need.
 - Share tailored reasons why vaccination is right for the patient.
 - Highlight positive experiences with vaccination.
 - Address patient questions and concerns.
 - Remind patients that vaccines protect them and their loved ones against a number of common and serious diseases.
 - Explain the potential costs of getting sick.
3. **ADMINISTER or REFER** your patients to a vaccination provider.
 - Offer the vaccines you stock.
 - Refer patients to providers in the area that offer vaccines that you don't stock.
4. **DOCUMENT** vaccines received by your patients.
 - Participate in your state's immunization registry. Help your office, your patients, and your patients' other providers know which vaccines your patients have had.
 - Follow up. Confirm that patients received recommended vaccines that you referred them to get from other immunization providers.

Assess Vaccination Status

VAC-TRAK

Main

Home

Login

Patient


Vaccinations

Scheduled Reports


Job Queue

Change Password

Answers



iWeb
Version: 5.16.8.3



**Welcome to VacTrAK –
the Alaska Immunization Information System (IIS)**

VacTrAK Documents

- [Documents & Policies](#)
- [Quick Reference User Guides](#)

VacTrAK Support

VacTrAK Support:
866-702-8725 (866-702-TRAK)
In Anchorage – (907) 269-0312
E-mail: vactrak@alaska.gov

Valuable Links

- [Alaska Immunization Program](#)

VacTrAK Providers

All health care providers are required to report administered immunizations to VacTrAK, the State of Alaska Immunization Information System, within 14 days of administration. The new reporting requirement is applicable for any vaccine administered, including state supplied and privately purchased vaccine.
7 AAC 27.650, Effective 12/29/2013

Important Notices

- [What's New in VacTrAK](#) 1/31/17
- [VacTrAK User Accounts and Password Updates](#) 10/27/15

Date: March 7, 2017



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Partnering for
a Healthy AK

What is VacTrAK?



- Web-based Immunization Information System (IIS)
- Confidential, population-based registry
- Immunization information for Alaskans throughout the lifespan
- All immunizations are **required** to be reported to VacTrAK within 14 days of administration
- Allows for immunization record access

Docket Immunization Records App



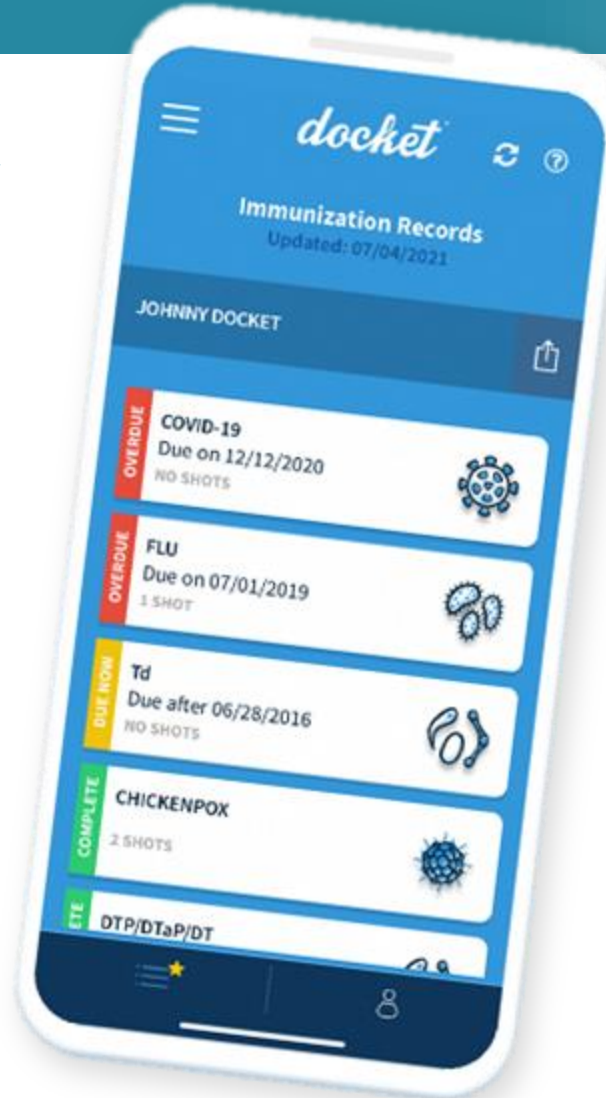
*Put your health
in your hands*

Docket is a free, secure app that gives Alaskans easy access to personal and family immunization records

Use Docket whenever you need to share immunization records, such as during school/childcare registration

Printable poster for waiting areas, exam rooms:

<https://health.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/iz/Documents/vaxpacket/forms/Docket-Easy-Access-Poster.pdf>



To download the **Docket app**, scan QR code below with your phone camera to find the free app in App Store or Google Play



<https://docket.care>

vaccinationrecords.alaska.gov

let's talk vaccines

Partnering for
a Healthy AK

Let's Talk Vaccines

"Let's Talk Vaccines: Partnering for a Healthy AK" is a program that encourages all health care professionals to ARM patients with the confidence to choose vaccination and help others get vaccinated:

- › **Ask** patients about their vaccination history and what questions they have.
- › **Recommend** your patients get up to date for any vaccines they are due for.
- › **Motivate** your patients to decide to seek out vaccination.

Resources below can be used to support vaccine conversations and encourage staying up to date at each visit. If you would like to see something added to this list [please let us know!](#)



- Protect your baby from the start.
- A pregnant person should get a flu shot during each pregnancy to protect herself, her baby and other family members.
- Find a location that offers vaccines near you at [vaccinate.alaska.gov](https://www.vaccinate.alaska.gov).
- Visit <https://www.cdc.gov/pregnancy> to learn more about vaccines you will need before, during and after pregnancy.

Community Outreach



- Community vaccine clinics
- Vaccine contractor
- Focus on flu and COVID-19 vaccines
- Work with communications contractor to advertise

FLU & COVID VACCINES

AND COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR

St. John United Methodist Church

1801 O'Malley Road

Saturday, Nov. 19, 8 AM - 12 PM

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
ENLACES ALASKA

AVAILABLE VACCINES:

Flu shots

(Ages 6 months and older).

Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine/Bivalent Booster

(Ages 12+).

Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine/Bivalent Booster

(Ages 6+).

Pfizer-BioNTech Pediatric COVID-19 Bivalent Booster

(Ages 5 through 11).

Pfizer-BioNTech Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccine

(Ages 6 months through 4 years).

Moderna Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccine

(Ages 6 months through 5 years).



REGISTER AT [MYHEALTH.ALASKA.GOV](https://myhealth.alaska.gov)

Building Support for Vaccines in Your Clinic



Alaska Vaccine Assessment Program



- AVAP established by the Alaska legislature in 2014
- AVAP provides funding for all ACIP recommended vaccines for fully-insured children. It also covers ACIP-recommended vaccines for adults.
- AVAP collects payments from health plans, insurers, and other responsible entities whose funds are used to purchase vaccines.
- The state provides vaccines to providers at no cost, and payers benefit from the state's bulk purchase price and distribution network.

Assessment Rate Process



Alaska Immunization
Program proposes
assessment rate
based on vaccine
administration data

Council discusses
and votes on the
assessment rate

Department of
Health
Commissioner
approves
assessment rate

AVAP: Broad Public Coverage



Childhood Eligibility *Birth through 18 years*

- Any child whose vaccinations are fully-covered by insurance

Adult Eligibility *19 years and older*

- Any adult whose private insurance is participating in AVAP
- Any uninsured adult whose health care provider opts into the uninsured adult program
- TRICARE

Not included in AVAP:

- Medicaid
- Medicare
- Insurance that does not cover vaccines
- Veterans Affairs (VA)

Vaccine Providers in AVAP



All VFC providers are automatically enrolled in the AVAP program

- Working in tandem with VFC providers helps coverage extend beyond childhood for eligible adults
- All forms of childhood eligibility are covered by the two programs
- Adult coverage means flexibility for providers that want to vaccinate families and other patient populations

AVAP-Only Providers have access to the complete state-funded childhood and adult formulary

- AVAP-only providers have access to the all of the same vaccines within a program that better fits their patients' eligibility
- No mandatory vaccine inventory requirements means more flexibility for practitioners

Optional Program for Uninsured Adults



Optional Program Puts Providers in Charge

- Providers know their patient population and can choose the plan right for their practice

Cost of coverage

- Vaccine providers access their patient population and determine the number of adults they wish to cover
- A monthly \$1.51 fee is collected per adult, with a minimum of 50 adults required



Evolving Requirements



Mandatory AVAP Training

Required annually along with updated provider agreement

Inventory Management Training

Correct lot decrementing and ordering guides help providers use state IIS for ordering and inventory management

AVAP Manual Relaunch

Manual with program requirements and eligibility

Increasing AVAP Awareness

With all the change created by COVID, some vaccine providers that are enrolled in VFC are not aware of the full benefits of AVAP. Using resources like 'Let's Talk Vaccines' can help providers understand

Program Success



- Increased vaccine availability for adults
- Universal flu vaccine for adults
- All private insurance companies are participating
- Easy to activate network to offer COVID vaccines

Future Work



- Site visits for AVAP providers
- Adult-focused vaccine communications campaign
 - Beyond flu and COVID vaccine
- Alaska Vaccine Coalition
- Other ideas?



Thank You!

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Questions For Sarah?

Join Us In May: Spring IACW Meeting!

May 10 - Virtual Meeting

Ideas for topics or Speakers?

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**Next IACW Quarterly meeting:
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