Pneumococcal Vaccines

(PCV13, PPSV23)



Who should get vaccinated?



Adults

Anyone younger than 50 years who didn't get the vaccine when they were a child can get 1 or 2 doses of the vaccine. Pneumococcal vaccination is recommended for adults with a compromised immune system and other select conditions. Ask your doctor how many doses you need if you are unsure.



Older Adults

Everyone 50 years or older can get 1 – 3 doses of the vaccine.



Children

Children need 4 doses of pneumococcal vaccine, usually at:

- 2 months
- 4 months
- 6 months
- 12 15 months

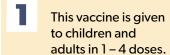
Why get vaccinated?

This vaccine can prevent pneumococcal disease that can cause pneumonia, ear infections, sinus infections, meningitis, and blood infection.

Complications include brain damage, hearing loss, and death.

You can get this disease by either touching surfaces with pneumococcal germs on it or breathing in the air near someone with pneumococcal disease who coughs or sneezes.

Fast facts about the Pneumococcal vaccines



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There are many types of pneumococcal vaccines available. The number of doses may vary by the vaccine received.



The vaccine is usually 60 – 70% effective against pneumococcal disease.

To learn more about these vaccines and possible side effects, see the CDC Vaccine Information Statements:





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Health is a community effort — tell your friends, family, and coworkers. Learn more about the benefits of vaccines and which ones you might need at **JuntosEnSalud.org**.



