

Vaccinations

Verify that the patient is up to date on all vaccinations.

Flu - No prescription required. May be given when vaccine becomes available and recommended to be given before November. HD is now recommended for those 65 and older, however trivalent vaccine may be used. To be given once per flu season.

Shingles - Prescription is required. May be given to adults 50 or over. Recommended for all patients 60 or over (unless immune compromised). To be given one time only.

Pneumonia - Prescription is required. Primary vaccination is recommended in ages 19-64. May revaccinate if 5 years or more since initial vaccination and patient was under 65 when given initial dose.

(Further information is available from the CDC (www.cdc.gov/vaccines) or The Pharmacist's Letter (www.pharmacistsletter))