

## Transplant Vaccination Schedule

It is strongly recommended that patients who are being assessed for transplant, are on a transplant waiting list or have had a transplant, receive all appropriate vaccines. This includes the annual flu shot. We also recommend that patients accept the COVID-19 vaccination when it is offered. An [FAQ on vaccinations](#) is available on our website.

Due to antirejection medications and subsequent immunosuppression, transplant patients should receive all necessary vaccinations prior to transplant if possible. The following is a recommended vaccination schedule.

No more than 3 vaccines should be given per visit. Prevnar and Menactra and should not be given during the same visit.

It is preferred that other vaccines not be given 2 weeks before or 2-4 weeks after each dose of a COVID-19 vaccination. Other vaccines may be recommended during these time frames if required (e.g. travelling to a country where other vaccines are necessary). Consult the Transplant Team if other vaccines are needed during these time frames.

For Non-Hepatitis B-Immune Patients:		For Hepatitis B Immune Patients:		Comments/ Date Complete
Required	Vaccine	Required	Vaccine	
<b>Visit 1</b>		<b>Visit 1</b>		
	Prevnar		Prevnar	
	Tdap		Tdap	
	Hepatitis B vaccine* (1 <sup>st</sup> dose – 40 mcg)		Shingrix	
<b>Visit 2 (4 weeks after Visit 1)</b>		<b>Visit 2 (8 weeks after Visit 1)</b>		
	Shingrix^		Shingrix	
	Haemophilus Influenza B		Haemophilus Influenza B	
	Hepatitis B vaccine* (2 <sup>nd</sup> dose – 40 mcg)		Pneumovax	
<b>Visit3 (4 weeks after Visit 2)</b>		<b>Visit 3 (4 weeks after Visit 2)</b>		
<b>Visit 4 (6 months after Visit 1)</b>				
	Pneumovax - Shingrix			
	Hepatitis B vaccine* (3 <sup>rd</sup> dose – 40 mcg)			
<b>Other Vaccines</b>				
4-Valent HPV vaccine* - single dose – as required/requested by the patient				

\* All vaccines are covered by OHIP with the exception of SHINGRIX and HPV. Hepatitis B vaccine is not covered after transplant. These vaccines may be covered by some private insurance plans.

^ Suggested in some patients, speak to your transplant specialist

Menactra maybe recommended with specific indications (e.g. splenectomy).

Vaccinations can be arranged by the Primary Care Provider. If you have any concerns or issues in getting your vaccines, please contact your Transplant Team who will arrange an appointment with the Transplant Infectious Disease Specialist.

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