



# Immunization Essentials for Adults with HIV

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# Objectives

- Describe the differences in immunization requirements for persons living with HIV
- Recommend appropriate vaccinations to adult and geriatric persons living with HIV
- Discuss current clinical controversies related to immunizations in persons living with HIV



# Background- Importance of Vaccinations

- Persons living with HIV (PLWH) are at an increased risk of many different infections
- Higher risk and severity of pneumonia due to *Streptococcus pneumoniae* and influenza virus
- Higher risk of disease progression (cirrhosis, hepatocellular carcinoma) with hepatitis B
- Higher risk of rapid progression of human papillomavirus (HPV) related cancers

# By The Numbers...

- Higher risk and severity of pneumonia due to *Streptococcus pneumoniae* and influenza virus<sup>1</sup>
  - Greater risk of IPD aRR of 6.6 (95% CI:2.7–16.1, p < 0.001) in 2010-11
- Higher risk of disease progression with Hepatitis B<sup>2</sup>
  - All cause mortality much higher in men with HIV than those without (RR 33.8 (95%CI 26.6-43.8, p<0.001)
- Higher risk of rapid progression of Human papillomavirus (HPV) related cancers<sup>3</sup>
  - Compared to general population (SIRs\* ranged from 8.9, 95% CI = 8.0 to 9.9, for cervical cancer to 68.6, 95% CI = 59.7 to 78.4, for anal cancer among men)

\*standardized incidence ratios (SIRs)



# Infectious Disease Risk Reduction Strategies in PLWH

- Receipt of antiretroviral therapy (ART) to enhance immune system
- Behavioral risk modifications
  - Smoking cessation (influenza and pneumonia)
  - Safe sex (HBV and HPV)
- Prophylaxis (based on CD4 cell count)
- **Vaccination**



# Important Considerations

- Vaccination is a key component to ensure the health of all persons living with HIV
- People who are born in other countries may have had incomplete childhood vaccinations
- Catch up vaccination for some childhood vaccines depending on risks, including MMR/Varicella if CD4 count > 200 cells/mL

**Figure 2. Recommended immunization schedule for adults aged 19 years or older by medical condition and other indications, United States, 2018**

This figure should be reviewed with the accompanying footnotes. This figure and the footnotes describe indications for which vaccines, if not previously administered, should be administered unless noted otherwise.

Vaccine	Pregnancy <sup>1,6</sup>	Immuno-compromised (excluding HIV infection) <sup>3,7,11</sup>	HIV infection CD4+ count (cells/ $\mu$ L) <sup>3,7,9-10</sup>		Asplenia, complement deficiencies <sup>7,10,11</sup>	End-stage renal disease, on hemodialysis <sup>7,9</sup>	Heart or lung disease, alcoholism <sup>7</sup>	Chronic liver disease <sup>7,9</sup>	Diabetes <sup>7,9</sup>	Health care personnel <sup>3,4,9</sup>	Men who have sex with men <sup>6,8,9</sup>	
			<200	$\geq$ 200								
Influenza <sup>1</sup>												1 dose annually
Tdap <sup>2</sup> or Td <sup>2</sup>	1 dose Tdap each pregnancy											1 dose Tdap, then Td booster every 10 yrs
MMR <sup>3</sup>		contraindicated										1 or 2 doses depending on indication
VAR <sup>4</sup>		contraindicated										2 doses
RZV <sup>5</sup> (preferred) or ZVL <sup>5</sup>												2 doses RZV at age $\geq$ 50 yrs (preferred) or 1 dose ZVL at age $\geq$ 60 yrs
HPV-Female <sup>6</sup>			3 doses through age 26 yrs									2 or 3 doses through age 26 yrs
HPV-Male <sup>6</sup>			3 doses through age 26 yrs									2 or 3 doses through age 26 yrs
PCV13 <sup>7</sup>												1 dose
PPSV23 <sup>7</sup>												1, 2, or 3 doses depending on indication
HepA <sup>8</sup>												2 or 3 doses depending on vaccine
HepB <sup>9</sup>												3 doses
MenACWY <sup>10</sup>												1 or 2 doses depending on indication, then booster every 5 yrs if risk remains
MenB <sup>10</sup>												2 or 3 doses depending on vaccine
Hib <sup>11</sup>			3 doses HSCT recipients only									1 dose

Recommended for adults who meet the age requirement, lack documentation of vaccination, or lack evidence of past infection
  Recommended for adults with other indications
  Contraindicated
  No recommendation

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# Immunizations Recommended For General Population

## Influenza vaccine

- Annual inactivated influenza vaccine

## Tetanus-diphtheria (Td)/tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis (Tdap)

- Tdap once, Td every 10 years

## Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine

- 3 dose vaccination series\*

\* For those aged < 26 years



# Additional Immunization Considerations for Persons Living with HIV

## Pneumococcal vaccines

- 13-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV13), followed by 23-valent pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (PPSV23)\*

## Meningococcal vaccine

- MenACWY (serogroups A, C, W, and Y) 2 doses, booster every 5 years

## Hepatitis B vaccine

- 3 or 4 dose series

## Hepatitis A vaccine (for most PLWH)

- 2 or 3 dose series (depending on vaccine)

\*additional doses, depending on if age > 65 yrs

# Pneumococcal Vaccines Two Types

## 13-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV13)

- T-cell–dependent immune response
- T cells provide the signals needed for maturation of the B-cell response and generation of B-cell memory

## 23-valent pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (PPSV23)

- T-cell independent immune response (limited to 3–5 yrs)

# PCV + PPSV?

## Immunological efficacy of pneumococcal vaccine strategies in HIV-infected adults: a randomized clinical trial

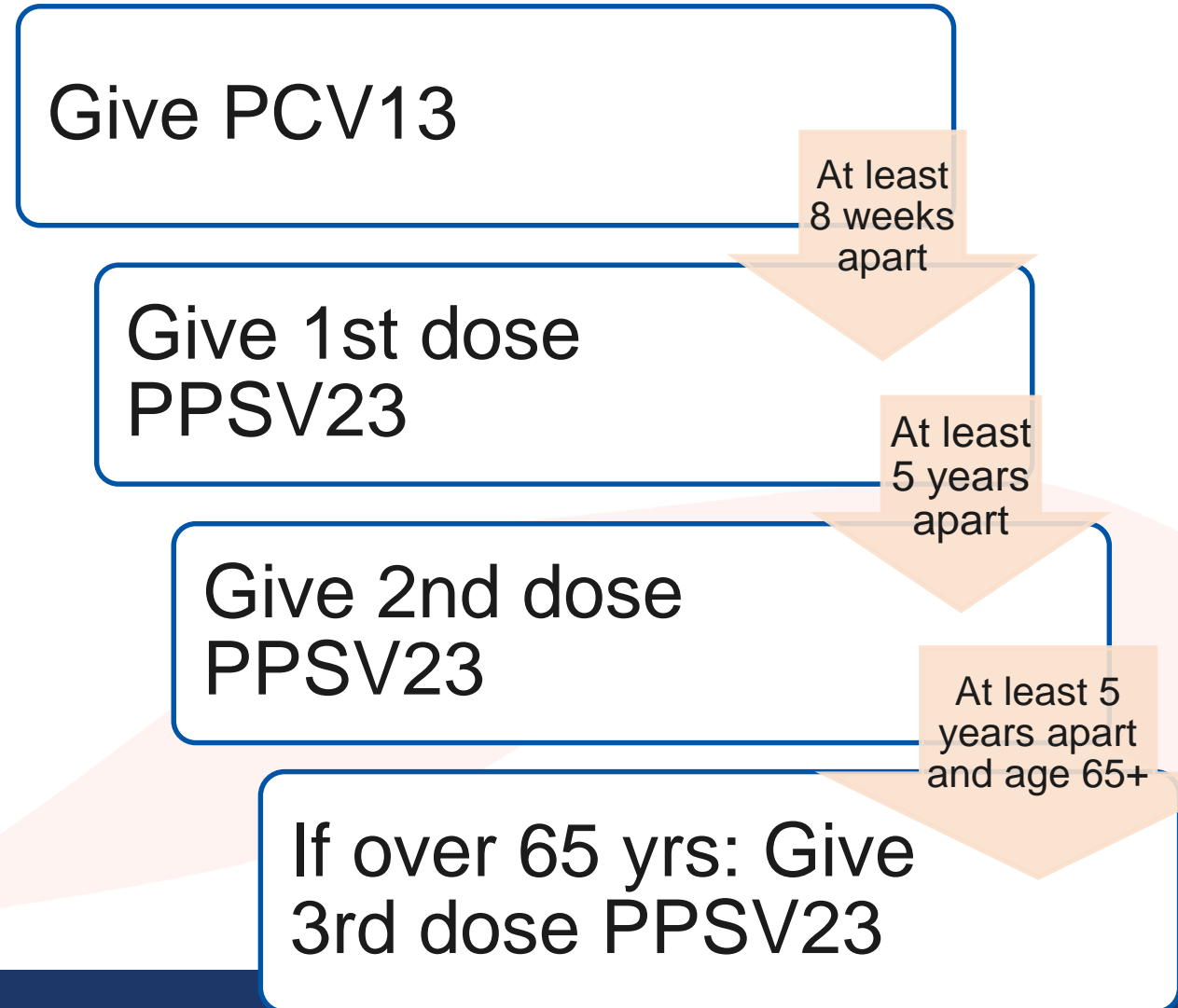
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- The aim: to compare the immunologic response prime-boost immunization strategy vs. standard
  - PCV13 with PPSV23 vs. PPSV23 alone in HIV-infected adults
- N= 31 in combo N= 33 in PPSV23 alone
- Proportion of 4-fold serotype OPA\* responses was significantly greater in the prime-boost group vs. the PPSV23-alone group
  - Week 8 OR 1.71, 95%CI 1.22–2.39
  - Week 28 OR 1.6, 95% CI 1.15–2.3

\*functional opsonophagocytic (OPA) geometric mean titer (GMT)

# Recommended Schedule

- 13-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV13) followed by a 23-valent pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (PPSV23)





# Hepatitis B Vaccination

- PLWH should be screened for evidence of hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection upon initiation of care
  - Hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg)
  - Hepatitis B surface antibody (HBsAb)
  - Antibody to hepatitis B total core antigen (anti-HBc or HBcAb)
- Susceptible patients should be vaccinated

*(strong recommendation, high quality evidence)*

# Hepatitis B Vaccination

- Current ACIP recommendations state:

“Modified dosing regimens, including a doubling of the standard antigen dose or administration of additional doses, might increase response rates. However, data on response to these alternative vaccination schedules are limited”

- Three options:
  - Standard dose 3 series vaccination
  - Double dose 3 or 4 series vaccination
  - *New adjuvanted vaccine 2 dose series?*



# Available Hepatitis B Vaccines

## Engerix-B

- Has a 1 mL 20 mcg dose available
- Standard schedule: 3-doses at 0, 1, and 6 months
- Double dose: Two 1 mL doses administered at one site, on a 4-dose schedule at 0, 1, 2, and 6 months <sup>2</sup>

## Recombivax HB

- Has a 1 mL 40 mcg dose available (dialysis formulation)
- 3-dose schedule at 0, 1, and 6 months

## Heplisav-B [Adjuvanted with Cytosine phosphoguanine (CpG) 1018]\*

- *Administer two doses (0.5 mL each) one month apart*
- *Recently FDA approved 11/2017*

\*data with HIV is lacking



# Hepatitis A Vaccination Indications

- men who have sex with men
- injection drug users
- travelers to countries of high endemicity
- persons with chronic liver disease
- persons infected with hepatitis B and/or C



# Available Hepatitis A Vaccines

## Havrix (Hepatitis A Vaccine)

- 2 doses, 1 mL, first followed by booster in 6-12 months

## Vaqta (Hepatitis A Vaccine)

- 2 doses, 1 mL, first followed by booster in 6-8 months

## Twinrix [Hepatitis A & Hepatitis B (Recombinant) Vaccine]

- 3 doses, 1 mL, followed by doses at 1 and 6 months
- Contains 20 mcg of Hepatitis B antigen
- Accelerated dosing: A series of 4 doses given on days 0, 7, and 21 to 30 followed by a booster dose at month 12

# Human papillomavirus (HPV)

Indicated for all PLWH under 26 years of age

## Quadrivalent vaccine Gardasil-4

- *Four serotypes (HPV 6, 11, 16, and 18)*
- *3-dose series at 0, 1–2, and 6 months*
- No longer available

## Nine-valent vaccine Gardasil-9

- Nine serotypes (HPV 6, 11, 16, 18, 31, 33, 45, 52, and 58)
- Covers an additional 14% of female cancers and 4% of male cancers
- **3-dose series** at 0, 1–2, and 6 months

\*Although some patients can do a 2-dose series depending on age of vaccine initiation, this is not recommended for PLWH



# Influenza Vaccination

- Live attenuated influenza vaccine (LAIV) was not recommended for the 2017–2018 influenza season, and it is contraindicated in PLWH
- ACIP recommendation: Inactivated influenza vaccine (IIV) or recombinant influenza vaccine (RIV) annually

# Vaccine Strains For 2018-2019

Two A Strains

A/Michigan/45/2015 (H1N1)pdm09-like virus (*no change from last season*)

A/Singapore/INFIMH-16-0019/2016 (H3N2)-like virus (*new for 2018-2019*)

Two B Strains

B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus (B/Yamagata lineage) (*no change from last season*) \*

B/Colorado/06/2017-like virus (B/Victoria/2/87 lineage) (*new for 2018-2019*)

\*not included in trivalent vaccines



# Influenza Vaccines 2017-2018 season

- Inactivated influenza vaccines, quadrivalent (IIV4s) or trivalent (IIV3s) standard-dose
  - 15  $\mu\text{g}$  of each vaccine HA antigen
- Adjuvanted inactivated influenza vaccine, trivalent (aIIV3), standard-dose
- Inactivated influenza vaccine, quadrivalent (cIIV4), standard-dose, cell culture-based
- Inactivated influenza vaccine, trivalent (IIV3), high-dose
  - 60  $\mu\text{g}$  of each vaccine antigen
  - Approved for adults over 65 years
- Recombinant influenza vaccine, quadrivalent (RIV4) or trivalent (RIV3)



# Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis vaccination

- **Tdap** Tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis
  - One time dose recommended for all adults
    - Additional doses may be indicated if caring for infants or pregnant
  - Adacel
  - Boostrix
- **Td** Tetanus-diphtheria
  - Booster every 10 years
  - Tenivac
  - Td generic

# Meningococcal Vaccines

MenACWY (serogroups A, C, W, and Y meningococcal vaccine)

- Conjugate vaccine (Menactra)
- Conjugate vaccine (Menveo)
- 2 doses at least 8 weeks apart
- Booster every 5 years

Serogroup B meningococcal vaccine (MenB)

- MenB-4C (Bexsero)
- MenB-FHbp (Trumenba)
- *Optional: ages 16–23 years*
- Both 2 doses, Not interchangeable

MPSV4 (4-valent meningococcal polysaccharide vaccine) is no longer available and has been removed from the adult immunization schedule.



# Childhood Vaccines if CD4 > 200 cells/mL\*

## MMR vaccine

- To protect against measles, mumps, and rubella
- If born in 1957 or after and have not gotten this vaccine or do not have immunity to these diseases

## Varicella vaccine

- To protect against chickenpox
- If born in 1980 or after and have not gotten two doses of this vaccine or do not have immunity to this disease

\*CD4 percentage should be 15% or greater.



# Patient Case Question

- Mr. Y is a 38 year old MSM, born in the U.S. who was recently diagnosed with HIV and started on ART immediately. His current viral load is < 20 copies/mL and CD4 count is 300 cells/mL. His baseline labs include HepB serologies which show immunity. He is here at the clinic for immunizations as he has not received any vaccines since childhood.
- Which of the following is an appropriate vaccine recommendation for today?
  - A. PPSV23, Hepatitis A and HPV
  - B. PCV13, Hepatitis A, and Td
  - C. PCV13, Hepatitis A, MenACWY, Tdap
  - D. PCV13, MenACWY and Tdap



# Patient Case Question

- Ms. L is a 24 year old heterosexual female, born in the U.S. who was recently diagnosed with HIV and started on ART immediately. She is currently undetectable and CD4 count is 450 cells/mL. She was previously up-to-date with all childhood vaccines up until age 20. She is here at the clinic for any additional immunizations she would need due to her HIV diagnosis.
- Which of the following is the most appropriate option at this visit (in June)?
  - A. HepB, MenACWY, and PCV13
  - B. Serology for HepB immunity, MenACWY, and PCV13
  - C. Serology for HepB immunity, MenACWY, Inactivated Influenza Quadrivalent and PCV13
  - D. HepB, PPSV23 and PCV13



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- Which of the following is true regarding her pneumococcal vaccination recommendations?
  - A. PPSV23 now and PCV13 in 6 months
  - B. PCV13 now and PPSV23 in 1 year
  - C. PCV13 now and PPSV23 at next visit (3 months)
  - D. PPSV23 now and PCV13 at next visit (3 months)

# CLINICAL CONTROVERSIES RELATED TO IMMUNIZATIONS IN PERSONS LIVING WITH HIV



# Shingles Vaccine?

- ACIP has no recommendations related to the new herpes zoster vaccine available for its use in PLWH
- In the general population:
  - Adults aged 50 years+ should receive a 2 doses series of recombinant zoster vaccine (RZV) (Shingrix) 2–6 months apart
  - The RZV is preferred in general population > ZVL (live zoster)
- Previously, the only vaccine available was a live vaccine
  - This is contraindicated in patients with CD4 < 200 cells/mL.



# Hepatitis B Vaccine Dosing

- The humoral response to HepB vaccine is reduced in children and adults who are immunocompromised
- Modified dosing regimens, including a doubling of the standard antigen dose or administration of additional doses, might increase response rates.
  - However, data on response to these alternative vaccination schedules are limited

# Hepatitis B Vaccine Dosing

- Meta-analysis including 5 clinical studies (n = 883 PLWH, mostly vaccine naive) HD vs SD
- HD double dose (40 mcg/ml)
- SD standard dosing (20 mcg) \*9% of SD got 10 mcg
- N= 883
- Significant increase in response rates using the higher dose vaccine (OR 1.96, 95% CI 1.47–2.61)



# Influenza Vaccine Efficacy

- The efficacy of influenza vaccination among HIV-infected persons is reduced compared with HIV-uninfected persons<sup>1</sup>
- Strategies to improve efficacy
  - Higher dose (4x amount of antigen)?<sup>2</sup>
  - Optimize timing?<sup>3,4</sup>
  - Studies are small, recommendations are the same as general population

# Influenza Vaccine Dosage

- Single-site, double-blind, RCT comparing the immunogenicity of a highdose (HD) influenza vaccine with the standard dose (SD) in PLWH
- Primary outcome seroprotective antibody levels at 21-28d
- Seroconversion rates were greater in the HD group than in the SD group
  - H1N1 (75% vs. 59%) **p=0.018**
  - H3N2 (78% vs. 74%) p =0.5
  - influenza B (56% vs. 34%) **p=0.003**

# Influenza Vaccine Timing

- Evaluation of immunogenicity of a monovalent 2009 influenza A (H1N1) vaccine
- Primary objective: compare seroconversion rates among HIV-infected and HIV-uninfected adults at day 28
- HIV-infected compared to HIV-uninfected adults were less likely to generate a seroprotective response at day 28 or a durable response at 6 months post-vaccination

Outcome	HIV+ N (%)	HIV – N (%)	Adjusted OR (95% CI)	P-value
Seroconversion				
Day 28:titer $\geq$ 1:40	25/46 (54%)	27/36 (75%)	0.23 (0.06, 0.76)	p=0.021
Month 6:titer $\geq$ 1:40	13/46 (28%)	20/36 (56%)	0.19 (0.06, 0.59)	p=0.005

# Influenza Vaccine Timing

- The US Influenza Vaccine Effectiveness Network Study
- Patients who had illness with cough and/or fever/feverishness were tested with NP PCR
- Adjusted vaccine effectiveness (VE) decreased with time.

Influenza A(H3N2)	Maximum VE of 35% at 14 days postvaccination, and VE reaching zero at <b>158 days postvaccination</b>
Influenza A(H1N1)pdm09	Maximum VE of 80% at 14 days postvaccination and minimum VE of 37% at <b>128 days postvaccination</b>
Influenza B	Maximum VE of 59% at 14 days postvaccination and minimum VE of 23% at <b>180 days postvaccination</b>

# Other Key Things to Remember

- Always give a Vaccine Information Sheet (VIS)
- Documentation and updating state vaccine record (if available)
- Patients born outside of the U.S may need to be evaluated for risk and catch up vaccines

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Questions?



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