

What to Know About the Vaccine Provisions Included in the Inflation Reduction Act



Overview:

In August 2022, the Biden administration passed the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) which included provisions to eliminate out-of-pocket expenses for adult vaccines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) for Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries.

When:

As of January 1, 2023, Medicare Part D beneficiaries have access to ACIP recommended adult vaccines. As of October 1, 2023, Medicaid beneficiaries will have access to ACIP recommended adult vaccines.

What Vaccines are Included?

Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)

Vaccine Specific ACIP Recommendations

- Anthrax
- BCG
- Cholera
- COVID-19
- Dengue
- DTaP-IPV Hib-HepB
- DTaP/Tdap/Td
- Ebola
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Hib
- HPV
- Influenza
- Japanese Encephalitis
- Measles, Mumps and Rubella
- MMRV
- Meningococcal
- Pneumococcal
- Polio
- Rabies
- Rotavirus
- Smallpox (Vaccinia)
- Typhoid
- Varicella (Chickenpox)
- Yellow Fever Zoster (Shingles)

Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/>

What does that mean for patients?

- Patients do not have to pay out of pocket for the vaccines listed if they are enrolled in Medicare Part D.
- Starting October 1, 2023, patients will not have to pay out of pocket for the vaccines listed if they are enrolled in Medicaid.

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Online Resources to Learn More:

- [Medicare Part D Vaccines \(cms.gov\)](https://www.cms.gov)
- [The Inflation Reduction Act Lowers Health Care Costs for Millions of Americans | CMS](#)
- [AVAC Protecting Seniors/HAPI Toolkit - Google Docs](#)
- [AVAC Welcomes Passage of Inflation Reduction Act to Help Close Longstanding Gaps in Vaccination Coverage in Medicare and Medicaid - Adult Vaccine Access Coalition \(adultvaccinesnow.org\)](#)