

Hepatitis A Vaccine (Inactivated Viral)

HAVRIX® 1440

Supplier: GlaxoSmithKline Inc.

HAVRIX® 720 Junior

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(Adult presentation: 1440 ELU/1.0 mL; Pediatric presentation: 720 ELU/0.5 mL)

INDICATIONS:

- See [Hepatitis A Vaccine Indications](#)

DOSES AND SCHEDULE: ^{A, B}

Routine series for Indigenous infants: ^{C, D} 2 doses given as 0.5 mL of HAVRIX® 720 Junior (720 ELU) **IM** at 6 and 18 months of age.

Other eligible individuals:

6 months-18 years of age (inclusive): ^D 2 doses given as 0.5 mL of HAVRIX® 720 Junior (720 ELU) **IM**, separated by 6 months.

19 years of age and older: ^D 2 doses given as 1.0 mL of HAVRIX® 1440 (1440 ELU) **IM**, separated by 6 months.

ADMINISTRATION:

No additional requirements.

BOOSTER DOSES:

No booster doses are recommended at this time.

SEROLOGICAL TESTING:

Serological testing may be indicated prior to immunization for select populations, see [Part 2 – Immunization of Special Populations](#). Post-vaccination serological testing is not indicated following a hepatitis A vaccine series.

CONTRAINDICATIONS:

1. History of an anaphylactic reaction to a previous dose of any hepatitis A vaccine, or to any component of HAVRIX® 1440 or HAVRIX® 720 Junior.

PRODUCT COMPONENTS:

Potential allergens: neomycin sulphate, bovine serum albumin.

Other components: formaldehyde, aluminum hydroxide, potassium chloride, disodium phosphate, monopotassium phosphate, polysorbate 20, amino acids.

^A Hepatitis A vaccines may be used interchangeably using the age-appropriate dose for the product being given.

^B HAVRIX® 720 Junior is approved for use in children 1-18 years of age (inclusive). However, NACI indicates that hepatitis A vaccine may be provided, beginning at 6 months of age, to infants who are at increased risk of infection or severe hepatitis A.

^C Indigenous children remain eligible for hepatitis A vaccine up to and including 18 years of age using the age-appropriate dosing and schedule.

^D For HIV positive individuals, provide 3 doses of vaccine at 0, 1 and 6 months.

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PRECAUTIONS:

Not applicable.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- For more information related to pre-exposure prophylaxis against hepatitis A related to travel, refer clients to their local travel clinic.
 - In order to address the gaps in age approvals for hepatitis A vaccines in Canada, a 0.5 mL dose of HAVRIX® 1440 can be used for adolescents 16-18 years of age (inclusive), if required.
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ADVERSE EVENTS:

Local: soreness, redness.

Systemic: headache, fatigue, fever, malaise, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea.