Recommended vaccines for Grade 9 students in BC

BC Centre for Disease Control
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Grade 9 students are recommended to get the meningococcal and Tdap vaccines

The meningococcal quadrivalent conjugate (meningitis) and the tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) vaccines are recommended for grade 9 students as part of their routine immunization schedule. To get your child immunized:

- Review this information on grade 9 vaccines from HealthLink BC (HealthLink BC File number: 50g) or scan the QR code to read more
- Complete the immunization consent form

Additional vaccines available for grade 9 students

Grade 9 students may be eligible for additional vaccines if they are not up to date with other routine vaccines. These additional vaccines will also be listed on the immunization consent form. Read more about the additional vaccines from HealthLink BC by clicking the links or scanning the QR codes in the table below.

Chickenpox vaccine HealthLink BC File number: 44b	Hepatitis A vaccine HealthLink BC File number: 33
Measles, mumps, rubella vaccine HealthLink BC File number: 14a	Human papillomavirus vaccine HealthLink BC File number: 101b
Hepatitis B vaccine HealthLink BC File number: 25a	Polio vaccine HealthLink BC File number: 13

Access HealthLink BC Files by visiting www.healthlinkbc.ca. Under the “Health Library” tab select “HealthLinkBC Files”. You can sort the list by file number, file name, or date of last update.

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Important information about consent for immunization

Please note that your consent for immunization is valid for two years unless you cancel it. It is recommended that parents or guardians and their children talk about what consent for immunization means together. Children under the age of 19, who are able to understand the benefits of getting immunized, possible side effects after receiving the immunization, and the risk of not getting immunized, can legally consent to getting the immunization or refuse it. Learn more about mature minor consent from HealthLink BC by clicking the link below:

The Infants Act, mature minor consent and immunization
HealthLink BC File number: 119

Supportive resources

Receiving a vaccine can cause some pain that can be stressful for some children. Some children may also experience mild side effects after receiving their vaccine(s). Check out these resources from HealthLinkBC: Immunizations for tips on how to prepare your child for their immunization and care for them afterward:

Have a positive experience: tips for school-age children & teens

Immunization aftercare

Access immunization records through Health Gateway

Health Gateway shows immunizations given at public health clinics and pharmacies in BC. It does not show immunizations given by other health care providers (i.e., family doctors or nurse practitioners) or travel clinics. Anyone 12 years of age and older can set up their own Health Gateway account to access their records. If you have records indicating your child has received additional vaccines not reflected on Health Gateway, please send these records to your local health unit or community health centre, or upload the record online. A health care professional will review and update the vaccine record(s) online.

Health Gateway
healthgateway.gov.bc.ca

Record submissions portal
immunizationrecord.gov.bc.ca

Questions?

Contact your local health unit or community health centre if you have any questions about vaccines for your child. Scan the QR code or search the HealthLinkBC Directory to find a public health unit or community health centre near you.