

Saskatchewan Immunization Manual Amendments - December 2025

Instructions: Discard the corresponding pages in each chapter section as noted below and insert **these amended pages** in the corresponding chapter sections.

Chapter 5 Immunization Schedules

- **P. 7 Section 1.6 Adults 18 Years Who Present for Immunization**

- Pneu-C-20 changed to Pneu-C-21 for adults 65 years.

- **P. 8 Section 1.7 Recommended Publicly Funded Immunizations for Adults Who Completed a Primary Childhood Vaccine Series**

- **Revised indication for Pneu-C-20**

- Adults 18-64 years old who have at least one eligible risk factor according to eligibility criteria and directives in Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.
- Adults 18 years and older who are solid organ or Islet cell transplant candidates and/or recipients, and HSCT recipients.
 - Refer to Chapter 7, Immunization of Special Populations for transplant-specific directives.

- **New! Indications for Pneu-C-21**

- Individuals 65 years and older who do not have documentation of receiving previous pneumococcal vaccines (considered non-immunized).
- Individuals 65 years and older who have documentation of previous pneumococcal vaccine and have at least one eligible risk factors. Refer to directives in Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older.
- HSCT recipients who are 65 years and older.
 - Refer to Chapter 7, Immunization of Special Populations for more information.

- **P. 9 Section 1.8 Publicly Funded Vaccine Eligibility Criteria**

- Added to first bullet regarding application of MenB minimum intervals: "... may be applied (unless otherwise noted for transplant patient schedule in Chapter 7, Immunization of Special Populations.)"
- Pneu-C-20 bullets revised:
 - Individuals 6 weeks and older with at least 1 qualifying risk factor approved for their age.
 - Refer to SIM CH. 10 Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors for guidance.
 - For transplant patients, refer to SIM, Chapter 7, Immunization of Special Populations.
- **New! Pneu-C-21 bullets:**
 - Adults 65 years and older who have never received any pneumococcal vaccines.
 - Adults 65 years and older who have been previously immunized with pneumococcal vaccine and have at least 1 qualifying risk factor approved for their age.
 - Refer to SIM CH. 10 Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older for guidance.
 - HSCT recipients who are 65 years and older, refer to SIM, Chapter 7, Immunization of Special Populations.

- **P. 11 Section 2.1 Minimum Intervals for Specific Vaccines**

- **New** footnote #16 for MenB: Following transplant agency schedule recommendations in SIM CH. 7 for transplant patients.

Chapter 7 Immunization of Special Populations

• P. 6 Table 2.2A Cardiac Disease

- Pneu-C-20 indications **revised:** **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.*

• P. 6 Table 2.3A Cochlear Implant

- Pneu-C-20 indications **revised:** **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.*

• P. 7 Table 2.4A Asplenia

- Pneu-C-20 indications **revised:** **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.*
- **New! Pneu-C-21 Indications:** **Only for those 65 years and older.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older.*

• P. 8 Table 2.5 A CSF Disorders

- Pneu-C-20 indications **revised:** **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.*

• P. 8 Table 2.6A CF

- Pneu-C-20 indications **revised:** **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.*

• P. 8 Table 2.7 Diabetes Mellitus

- Pneu-C-20 indications **revised:** **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.*

• P. 9 Table 2.8A Liver Disease

- Pneu-C-20 indications **revised:** **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.*

• P. 9 Table 2.9A Lung Disease

- Pneu-C-20 indications **revised:** **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.*

• P. 10 Table 2.10A Malignancies/Cancer

- Pneu-C-20 indications **revised:** **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.*
- **New Pneu-C-21 Indications:** **Only for those 65 years and older.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older.*

- **P. 11 Table 2.11 A Neurological Conditions that impede the clearance of respiratory/oral secretions**
 - Pneu-C-20 indications revised: **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors*.
- **P. 12 Table 2.12A Renal Disease**
 - Pneu-C-20 indications revised: **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors*.
 - **New Pneu-C-21 Indications: Only for those 65 years and older.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older*.
- **P. 13 Table 2.13 A Sickle Cell Disease**
 - Pneu-C-20 indications revised: **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors*.
 - **New Pneu-C-21 Indications: Only for those 65 years and older.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older*.
- **P. 14 Table 3.1A Congenital and Acquired Complement Deficiencies**
 - Pneu-C-20 indications revised: **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors*.
 - **New Pneu-C-21 Indications: Only for those 65 years and older.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older*.
- **P. 16 Table 3.3A HIV**
 - Pneu-C-20 indications revised: **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors*.
 - **New Pneu-C-21 Indications: Only for those 65 years and older.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older*.
- **P. 20 Table 3.7A Medical Treatment**
 - Pneu-C-20 indications revised: **Only for those younger than 65 years old.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors*.
 - **New Pneu-C-21 Indications: Only for those 65 years and older.** Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older*.
- **P. 21 Section 5.1 MSM**
 - **SMV** vaccine abbreviation replaces Mpx.
- **Pp. 33-36 Appendix 7.1: Publicly Funded Vaccine Recommendations for Specific Populations by Panorama Risk Factor Category**
 - Pp. 33-35: All table column headers that noted Pneu-C-20 amended to **“Pneu-C”**, as age determines whether Pneu-C-20 or Pneu-C-21 to be administered.
 - P. 35 – **DELETED:** ‘Caregiver of infants’ risk factor for Tdap.
 - P. 35 -In last column, **SMV** vaccine abbreviation replaces Mpx.
 - P. 36 - Footnote #2 Revised and now states, “Refer to these SIM CH. 10 immunization directives for guidance and eligibility parameters: *Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have*

Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors OR Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older.

- **P. 41 Appendix 7.6 Immunization schedule for Adult Post-HSCT Recipients**
 - Revised footnote #3: Individuals with incomplete Pneu-C-13 series: complete series with Pneu-C-20. **Refer to footnote #4 for those +65 years old.** Individuals 18-64 years old who completed a Pneu-C-13 series **and/or** received Pneu-P-23 dose(s) can receive 1 Pneu-C-20 dose when it has been ≥1 year after last documented Pneu-P-23 **AND** ≥ 8 weeks from last documented Pneu-C-13 dose.
 - **New! Footnote 4:** Pneu-C-21 immunization directive table for individuals presenting at 65 years and older.
 - Footnote 18 – revised to note that HPV-9 and Pneu-C-21 are not publicly funded for those ineligible for publicly funded programs.
- **P. 43 Appendix 7.8 Publicly Funded Immigrant and Refugee Immunization and Serology Recommendations**
 - Pneu-C-21 added to table; along with Pneu 15 and 20 now listed in one row.
- **Appendix 7.9: Publicly Funded Immunization Schedule for Adult Solid Organ Pre-Transplant Candidates**
 - HB high dose for all patients.
 - Footnote #2 refers to App. 7.4 for scheduling.
 - Footnote 15 – revised to note that HPV-9 and Pneu-C-21 are not publicly funded for those ineligible for publicly funded programs.
- **Appendix 7.10: Publicly Funded Immunization Schedule for Adult Solid Organ Post-Transplant Recipients**
 - HB high dose for all patients.
 - Footnote #2 refers to App. 7.4 for scheduling.
 - Footnote 13 – revised to note that HPV-9 and Pneu-C-21 are not publicly funded for those ineligible for publicly funded programs.

Chapter 10 Biological Products

- **TOC p. 2**
 - Deleted pneumococcal reference pages:
 - Age-based Risk Factor Eligibility for Pneu-C-20 Immunization (as noted in Panorama)
 - Pneu-C-20 Immunization Flow Chart for Individuals Through 64 Years of Age
 - Pneu-C-20 Immunization Flow Chart for Individuals 65 Years and Older
 - Pneu-P-23 vaccine info, as discontinued in Canada.
 - **New pneumococcal reference tables added!**
 - Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors
 - Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older
- **TOC p. 3**
 - Vaccine abbreviation added to include “RSVpreF” after the tradename of ABRYVO as the product is frequently referred to using “RSVpreF”. *Panorama agent name unchanged.*
 - Vaccine abbreviation added to include “RSVPreF3” after the tradename of AREXVY as the product is frequently referred to using “RSVPreF3”.
 - NOTE: *Panorama agent name unchanged.*

- **BEXSERO (MenB 4CMenB)**
 - Revised transplant patient indications:
 - Solid organ or islet cell transplant candidates or recipients as per transplant agency **schedule recommendations** in [SIM CH. 7](#)
 - Hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipients as per transplant agency **schedule recommendations** in [SIM CH. 7](#)
- **2025-26 COVID-19 Immunization Schedules**
 - Table 5
 - Corrected Interval between **2025-26** vaccine doses instead of 2024-25
 - Table 6
 - Corrected Interval between **2025-26** vaccine doses instead of 2024-25
- **PREVNAR 20™ (Pneu-C-20)**
 - Updated link to 2025 product monograph
 - Indications now state:
 1. **Individuals 6 weeks through 64 years old** who have at least one eligible risk factor. **Refer to directives in Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors.**
 2. **Transplant patients 6 weeks and older** (HSCT, solid organ, Islet cell). **Refer to SIM Ch. 7** for transplant-specific adult recommendations.
 - **New!** Storage and administration row; “Store pre-filled syringes horizontally in the refrigerator. Administer as soon as possible after being removed from the refrigerator.”
- **NEW! Pneu-C-20 Immunization Schedules for Individuals Who Have Qualifying Medical/Lifestyle Risk Factors**
 - This table replaces the previous Pneu-C-20 immunization algorithm and risk factor documents. Previous pneumococcal immunization history, age at presentation and Pneu-C-20 directives are provided in table format, and qualifying risk factors noted in footnote #2, #3 and #4.
- **CAPVAXIVE® (Pneu-C-21)**
 - **New!** Vaccine information including indications and qualifying risk factors in footnote #1.:
 1. **Individuals 65 years and older** who do not have documentation of receiving previous pneumococcal vaccines (and considered non-immunized).
 2. **Individuals 65 years and older** who have documentation of previous pneumococcal vaccine and have at least one eligible risk factors. Refer to directives in *Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older*.
 3. **HSCT recipients who are 65 years and older.** Refer to [SIM Ch. 7](#) for adult recommendations.
- **NEW! Pneu-C-21 Immunization Schedules for Individuals 65 Years and Older**
 - The tables replace the previous Pneu-C-20 immunization algorithm and risk factor documents for adults 65 years and older. Previous pneumococcal immunization history, age at presentation and Pneu-C-21 directives are provided in table format, and qualifying risk factors noted in footnote #1.

Chapter 14 Appendices

- **P. 21:** Pneu-C-20 and Pneu-C-21 fact sheets dated for November 2025 added to Appendix 14.3.