

Vaccine Coverage Guide for Medicare Part D Members



Flu shots

Every year millions of people get the flu. Most people who get the flu have a mild illness. But for some, it can lead to serious health problems. The flu is caused by influenza viruses that affect the lungs, throat and nose. It can be contagious. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), getting the yearly flu vaccine is the best way to protect yourself from the flu.¹ The CDC recommends a yearly **flu vaccine** for everyone 6 months of age and older.

Routine vaccines

Staying up to date on your immunizations can reduce your risk of contracting serious illnesses.

Your health plan covers many vaccines to keep you healthy. As a Medicare health plan, the plan must cover all services covered by Original Medicare and must follow Original Medicare's coverage rules. Therefore, some of the vaccines are covered by your medical plan. Other vaccines are covered by your prescription drug plan, administered by Optum Rx.

Many vaccines are available on a walk-in basis

Show your member ID card before getting your flu shot or vaccine. Many routine vaccines are covered at 100% when you use network pharmacies.

For more information, sign in to [optumrx.com](https://www.optumrx.com) or call the number on your member ID card.



What vaccines do you need?

Talk to your doctor about your specific needs. Here is a list of flu shots and CDC-recommended routine vaccines.

Age restrictions or limitations may apply.

Vaccines covered under your CalPERS medical plan (Part B)

Flu shots (submit to your medical plan)

Flu (Influenza)²

Afluria	Flublok	FluMist
Fluad	Flucelvax	Fluzone High-Dose Fluzone
Fluarix	Flulaval	

Other vaccines² (submit to your medical plan)

COVID-19	Comirnaty, Novavax, Spikevax
Hepatitis B	Engerix-B, Hepelisav-B, Pediarix, Recombivax HB
Pneumococcal - Vaccine prevents pneumonia	Capvaxive, Pneumovax 23, Prevnar 13, Prevnar 20, Vaxneuvance

Where can I get vaccinated?

You can get the vaccines in the chart above at the following locations:

- Participating pharmacies. To locate a participating pharmacy, visit **welcome.optumrx.com/calpers/landing** Scroll down to *Plan highlights* link and select your plan.
- Retail health clinic or Health Department.
- Doctor's office.

How to get reimbursed?

Occasionally, members may have to pay out of pocket first for covered vaccines. If you receive a vaccine at a location that is unable to bill your medical plan, you'll have to pay the out-of-pocket cost and submit a request for reimbursement.

For medical plan reimbursement requests, you will need to complete the online reimbursement claim form from your online medical plan.

Keep in mind that the medical and prescription drug plans are managed separately. This means your medical plan and Optum Rx can only answer questions about the coverage they provide and cannot answer questions about the other plans.

You'll need to review both charts in this guide to help you understand your vaccine coverage and out-of-pocket costs.

Vaccines covered under your Optum Rx prescription drug plan (Part D)

Chikungunya Virus	Ixchiq
Dengue	Dengvaxia
Haemophilus influenzae type B	Acthib, Hiberix, Pedvax
Hepatitis A	Havrix, Vaqta
Hepatitis A/Hepatitis B	Twinrix*
Hepatitis B	Engerix-B, Hepelisav-B, Pediarix, Recombivax HB **



Vaccines covered under your Optum Rx prescription drug plan (continued)

Cholera	Vaxchora
Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) - Vaccine prevents HPV-related cancers	Gardasil 9
Japanese encephalitis - Vaccine prevents Japanese encephalitis	Ixiaro
Measles, Mumps, Rubella	M-M-R II, PRIORIX
Meningococcal - Vaccine prevents meningitis Groups A, C, Y and W-135	Menquadfi, Menveo, Penbraya
Meningococcal - Vaccine prevents meningitis Group B	Bexsero, Menactra, Menquadfi, Menveo, Penbraya, Trumenba
MPOX/Smallpox - Vaccine to protect against monkey pox and smallox	JYNNEOS*
Poliovirus	Ipol
Rabies	Imovax, Rabavert
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	Abrysvo†, Arexvy†, mRESVIA†
Tdap - Vaccine prevents tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis	Adacel*, Boostrix*
Tetanus and diphtheria	Diphtheria-Tetanus Toxoids DT*, TdVax*, Tenivac*
Tick-Borne Encephalitis	Ticovac
Tuberculosis	BCG Vaccine
Typhoid	Typhim
Varicella - Vaccine prevents chicken pox	Varivax
Yellow Fever	Stamaril, YF-Vax
Zoster - Vaccine prevents shingles	Shingrix

* Combination product that contains other vaccines.

** Requires prior authorization to determine medical plan vs prescription plan coverage.

† Ages 60 years and older.

Where can I get vaccinated?

You can get the vaccines in the chart on the previous page at the following locations:

- In-network pharmacy. To locate an in-network pharmacy, log in to your online member account at **optumrx.com** or call the number on your prescription ID card.
- Retail health clinic or Health Department.
- Doctor's office. Your doctor can administer the vaccine or you can ask them to send an electronic prescription to your local, in-network pharmacy.

How to get reimbursed

If you receive a vaccine at your doctor's office, retail health clinic or Health Department, you'll have to pay the out-of-pocket cost and submit a request for reimbursement for it to be covered.

For prescription drug plan reimbursement requests, you will need to complete the online reimbursement claim form at **dmrforms.optumrx.com/online-claim-form**. Costs for a visit to the doctor's office are not reimbursable.

Optum Rx prescription drug plan questions

 Medicare Part D Members: **1-855-505-8106**
Members needing TTY service: please dial 711



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Medical plan questions

Refer to the medical carrier for your plan. Visit welcome.optumrx.com/calpers/landing. Scroll down to *Plan highlights* to find the medical plan links.



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