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PNEUMOVAX²³

(Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine)

HELP PROTECT AGAINST THE RISK OF PNEUMOCOCCAL DISEASE WITH PPV23, AS PART OF THE NATIONAL IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME

Prescribing Information for the UK can be found at www.emcpi.com/pi/35695.

Who is eligible for PPV23 vaccine, as part of the national immunisation programme?¹



Eligible adults aged 65 years and over



At-risk groups aged 2 years and over,^{1,2} including patients with chronic respiratory disease; diabetes mellitus requiring insulin or anti-diabetic medication and chronic heart disease*¹

*Please refer to the Green Book – Immunisation against infectious disease (Chapter 25)¹, for a full list of children aged 2 years and over and adults, considered at-risk.

Why should vaccination against pneumonia be one of your priorities?

19,500+
DEATHS PER ANNUM[†]

Pneumonia is associated with **high UK mortality** rates³



Over 65-year-olds and at-risk individuals all have a **high risk** of morbidity and mortality from pneumonia⁴⁻⁷



However, pneumonia often isn't **top of mind** for a healthy over 65-year-old

The specific at-risk categories of persons to be immunised are to be determined on the basis of official recommendations. Please consult the SmPC for further information before making any prescribing decisions.

Adverse events should be reported. Reporting forms and information can be found at https://yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk/ or search MHRA Yellow Card in the Google Play or Apple App Store. Adverse events should also be reported to Merck Sharp & Dohme Limited (Tel: 0208 154 8000). By clicking the above link, you will leave the MSD website and be taken to the MHRA website.

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PPV23 is in stock and ready to order



PPV23 is **in stock** and available to order via the ImmForm website (for GP surgeries) and Alliance (for pharmacies)



PPV23 is **coded** within EPR systems



Most of your eligible patients only need a $single\ dose^{\ddagger 1,2}$

[‡]Revaccination may be needed in certain at-risk groups. The timing and need of revaccination should be determined on the basis of official recommendations.

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ORDER AND START VACCINATING TODAY

Order from Alliance
Pharmacies



Order from the Immform Website GP Surgeries —

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PNEUMOVAX® 23 (pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine) is recommended for active immunisation against pneumococcal disease in children aged from 2 years, adolescents and adults.

†Deaths involving pneumonia in the United Kingdom 2020; total mortality per annum was 19,642.

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CHD, chronic heart disease; COPD, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; EPR, electronic patient record; MHRA, Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency; NICE, National Institute for Health and Care Excellence; PPV, pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine; SmPC, Summary of Product Characteristics.

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