

## Iowa Vaccines for Adults (VFA) Program VFA Eligibility Based on Insurance Status

Adults 19 years or older must meet one of these eligibility criteria:

- **Uninsured** – patient has no health insurance coverage
- **Underinsured**
  - Patient has private insurance that does not cover vaccines (eligible for the specific vaccine that insurance does not cover), that caps prevention services (eligible after cap is reached), or whose insurance does not provide first-dollar coverage for vaccines<sup>3</sup>
  - Patient has Medicare Part B *only* (eligible only for the specific vaccines not covered)<sup>4</sup>

Adults with private insurance, Medicaid, Iowa Health Link membership, or Medicare Part D are not eligible for the Iowa VFA program.

The following vaccines are available through the Iowa VFA Program.

Diseases and ACIP-Recommended Vaccines Covered by the Iowa VFA Program		
Vaccine Group/Disease	Vaccine(s) and Other Immunizing Agents	VFA Eligibility Criteria
Chickenpox (Varicella)	Varivax	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare part B only <sup>4</sup>
COVID-19	Comirnaty	Uninsured and underinsured only <sup>1,4</sup>
	Spikevax	Uninsured and underinsured only <sup>1,4</sup>
	Nuvaxovid	Uninsured and underinsured only <sup>1,4</sup>
Hepatitis A	Vaqta & Havrix	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare part B only <sup>4</sup>
Hepatitis B	Engerix B & Recombivax HB	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare part B only <sup>2,4</sup>
Hepatitis A and B Combination	Twinrix	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare part B only <sup>2,4</sup>
Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	Gardasil 9	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare Part B only <sup>4</sup>
Influenza (Flu)	Varies based on federal vaccine contracts	Uninsured and underinsured only <sup>1,4</sup>
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	MMR (MMRII & Priorix)	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare part B only <sup>4</sup>
Meningococcal	MenACWY (MenQuadfi & Menveo)	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare part B only <sup>4</sup>
	MenB (Trumenba & Bexsero)	Uninsured, underinsured only, Medicare part B only <sup>4</sup>

Pneumococcal	PCV20 (Prevnar 20) & PCV21 (Capvaxive)	Uninsured, underinsured only <sup>1,4</sup>
Polio (IPV)	IPOL	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare part B only <sup>4</sup>
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) *Available by request	Abrysvo, Arexvy, mResvia	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare part B only <sup>4</sup>
Tetanus (Tdap Combination vaccines)	Tdap (Adacel & Boostrix)	Uninsured, underinsured, Medicare part B only <sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Vaccine covered by Medicare Parts B and D

<sup>2</sup> Medicare Part B will cover Hep B vaccine when patient is at medium or high risk to contract Hepatitis B. Part D covers Hep B vaccine when the patient is at low risk. If a patient has Part B only, they are eligible for VFA vaccine if they are low risk for Hepatitis B disease. If the patient has Part D only, the patient is not eligible for VFA Hep B vaccines

<sup>3</sup> First-dollar coverage: Any copay, co-insurance, or other cost that must be paid by the patient prior to their health insurance plan paying the remainder of the cost. *This applies only to the cost of the vaccine, not to any amin fee or office visit fee (which may have separate copay)*

<sup>4</sup> The VFA Program addresses part B coverage only. Part D covers all ACIP recommended adult vaccines. For additional Medicare coverage information, please refer to the [Medicare website](#)