



Iowa Vaccines for Adults (VFA)  
Program Eligibility by Insurance  
Status

Patient Insurance Status	VFA Vaccine Eligibility
<b>Uninsured</b> – Does not have private insurance, Medicare, or Medicaid	Eligible for <b>ALL</b> Available VFA Vaccines
<b>Underinsured</b> – A person who has health insurance, but the insurance does not cover any vaccines; a person whose insurance covers only selected vaccines; a person whose insurance does not provide first-dollar coverage	Eligible for VFA vaccines that are not covered by the insurance plan, when the plan cap is reached, or if they do not have first-dollar coverage for vaccines <sup>3</sup>
<b>Medicare Part B only</b> <sup>1, 4</sup>	Eligible for the following routine VFA vaccines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hep A</li> <li>• Hep B if <b>not</b> high or medium risk<sup>1</sup></li> <li>• HPV</li> <li>• MMR</li> <li>• Meningococcal</li> <li>• Polio</li> <li>• RSV</li> <li>• Tdap</li> <li>• Varicella</li> </ul>
<b>Private insurance</b> <sup>2</sup> – Has private insurance that covers all vaccines, or has insurance and has not yet met the plan’s deductible or cap	<b>NOT Eligible</b> for VFA vaccines
<b>Iowa Health Link</b> – Is a member of Iowa Health Link or is receiving Medicaid coverage through a fee-for-service model	<b>NOT Eligible</b> for VFA vaccines
<b>Medicare Part D</b> – Medicare Part D covers all adult vaccines recommended by ACIP	<b>NOT Eligible</b> for VFA vaccines

<sup>1</sup> Medicare Part B covers COVID-19, influenza, pneumococcal, and other vaccines (i.e. Hep B and Rabies) directly related to the treatment of an injury or direct exposure to a disease or condition. Hep B vaccine is only available to low-risk patients because Medicare Part B will cover Hep B vaccine when a patient is considered high or medium risk for contracting Hepatitis B.

<sup>2</sup> Fully insured adults whose insurance covers the cost of vaccine(s) are not eligible for VFA vaccine(s). If insurance does not cover all vaccines, or has a cap on prevention services, the patient is eligible for VFA vaccine(s). Those patients are eligible for vaccines not covered, or once the cap has been met.

<sup>3</sup> First-dollar means coverage of ACIP-recommended vaccines without cost sharing to the patient

<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](#).