ADULT VACCINATIONS

**TETANUS**
- All people who lack written documentation of a primary series consisting of at least 3 doses of tetanus- and diphtheria-toxoid-containing vaccine.
- Pregnant women should get Tdap at 27–36 weeks’ gestation during each pregnancy, preferably during the early part of that range.
- A booster dose of Td or Tdap may be needed for wound management, so consult ACIP recommendations.
- Adults who have not received Td or Tdap in the past 10 years or whose Tdap history is not known.

**VARICELLA**
- Recommended for all adults without evidence of immunity.

**WHAT DEFINES IMMUNITY?**
Written documentation of 2 doses of varicella vaccine; a history of varicella disease or herpes zoster (shingles) based on healthcare-provider diagnosis; laboratory evidence of immunity or confirmation of disease; and/or birth in the U.S. before 1980.

**ZOSTER**
- People age 50yrs and older.
- Adults age 19yrs and older who are or will be immunodeficient or immunosuppressed due to disease or therapy. For details on screening and timing of vaccination of immunocompromised adults, see www.cdc.gov/shingles/vaccination/immunocompromised-adults.html.
- Note: Do not test people age 50yrs or older who are not immunocompromised for varicella immunity. Immunocompetent people born in the U.S. prior to 1980 can be presumed to be immune to varicella for the purpose of zoster vaccination, regardless of their recollection of having had chickenpox.

**SOURCES**
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