

# Pneumococcal Vaccine Timing - For Adults

Do NOT administer PCV13 and PPSV23 at the same visit

## **PCV13**

(Prevnar13 – Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine)

### **Who should get it?**

Adults should get one dose of this vaccine before starting or continuing doses of PPSV23. It is recommended for:

- All adults 65 years or older
- Adults 19 years or older with certain medical condition
- Adults 19 years or older who are taking medications that lower the body's resistance to infection
- If an adult has received a dose of PCV13 before age 65, NO additional doses are needed
- All adults are recommended to receive ONE dose of PCV13 in a lifetime

## **PPSV23**

(Pneumovax23 – Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine)

### **Who should get it?**

Adults should get one, two or three doses of this vaccine, depending on their age, health condition, and timing of the first dose. It is recommended for:

- All adults 65 years or older
- Adults 19 years or older with certain health conditions
- Adults 19 years or older who have a disease or condition, or are taking medications that lower the body's resistance to infection
- Adults 19 years or older who smoke cigarettes

### **Who should NOT get these vaccines?**

**PCV13:** Anyone who has ever had a life threatening allergic reaction to a dose of the vaccine, to an earlier pneumococcal vaccine called PCV7 (or Prevnar), or to any vaccine containing diphtheria toxoid (for example, DTaP), should not get PCV13. Anyone with a severe allergy to any component of PCV13 should not get the vaccine.

**PPSV23:** Anyone who has ever had a life threatening allergic reaction to a dose of the vaccine or with a severe allergy to any component of the vaccine should not get the vaccine.