



Health, Healthy Living and Seniors

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Dear Health Care Provider:

Updated Eligibility Criteria for Publicly-Funded Pneu-C-13 and 4CMenB Vaccines

Effective immediately, Manitoba Health, Healthy Living and Seniors (MHLS) is expanding its publicly-funded (i.e. free-of-charge) eligibility criteria for the following two vaccines:

Pneumococcal conjugate 13 (Pneu-C-13) vaccine: individuals ≥ 60 months with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and/or solid organ transplant recipients are eligible to receive 1 dose of Pneu-C-13 vaccine followed 8 weeks later by one dose of pneumococcal polysaccharide (Pneu-P-23) vaccine.

Meningococcal Type B (4CMenB) vaccine: individuals 2 months to ≤ 17 years of age with at least one of the following high-risk medical conditions are eligible to receive up to 4 doses (depending on the age at first dose):

- anatomic or functional asplenia (including sickle cell disease)
- congenital complement, properdin, factor D or primary antibody deficiencies
- acquired complement deficiencies
- human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)

Visit MHLS online *Immunization Program Manual* for more information on Pneu-C-13 and 4CMenB vaccine schedules: www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/div/manual/index.html.

To order Pneu-C-13 and/or 4CMenB, please complete and submit MHLS *Vaccines and Biologics Order Form*: www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/protocol/vaccinebiologics.pdf.

Factsheets for the Pneu-C-13 and 4CMenB vaccines can be viewed through MHLS *Immunization Program Manual* (www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/div/vaccines.html) and can be ordered in the coming weeks; please check the website for resource availability (www.gov.mb.ca/health/jmc/index.html).

If you have any questions about the above information, please email: vaccines@gov.mb.ca.

Please share this information with all relevant colleagues in your facility or clinic.

Sincerely,

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