

Vaccinations at Crowfoot Village Family Practice

Immunization is one of the most important advances in public health and is estimated to have saved more lives in Canada over the past 50 years than any other health intervention (Canadian Immunization Guide, 2013). Vaccines protect people from deadly and debilitating diseases. At CVFP we are committed to providing outstanding care in a patient centered health home, and this includes offering vaccinations that can reduce the risk of developing these diseases. Talk to your health care professional today about the benefits of these vaccines and if you would be eligible.

Please note many extended health care plans and health spending accounts provide coverage for these vaccinations, and we can provide you with the information needed to confirm this with your insurance providers.

Gardasil 9

- Protects against 9 strains of the HPV virus, which can be responsible for causing cervical cell changes, cervical cancer (90% of cases) , genital warts (90% of cases), and cancer of the throat, anus, vulva, and vagina
- It is estimated that up to 75-80% of the sexually active population will have at least 1 HPV infection in their lifetime
- 3 dose series administered over a period of 6 months
- Cost: \$200/dose, or \$580 to pay for the full series up front
- Available for females aged 9-45, and males aged 9-26. If you have received Gardasil 4 in the past you are not eligible at this time to receive Gardasil 9

Pevnar

- Protects against 13 strains of a bacteria that can cause pneumonia, sepsis (bacteria in the bloodstream), and meningitis
- Risk factors for disease include (but not limited to) : age over 50; smoking; and chronic medical conditions including a weakened immune system; heart, lung, kidney, and liver disease; diabetes, cancer, transplants, and neurological conditions
- Cost: \$135

Shingrix

- Protects against Shingles (herpes zoster): painful, blistering rash that can last several weeks. Some people will go on to develop long lasting nerve pain which can last for months or even years
- It is estimated that 1 in 3 Canadian adults will get shingles in their lifetime
- Shown to be over 90% effective in clinical trials at protecting against shingles
- Protection maintained for 4 years, protection beyond this is currently being studied
- Available for those aged 50 and older, can be given if you previously received Zostavax
- 2 doses with 2nd dose given between 2-6 months after first dose
- Cost \$152

Zostavax

- Protects against shingles: a painful, blistering rash that can last several weeks. Some people will go on to develop long-lasting nerve pain which can last for months or even years
- It is estimated that nearly 1 in 3 people will get shingles in their lifetime
- Available for those aged 50 and older
- Cost: \$215