

RSV vaccines – CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices update

- On June 21, 2023, the CDC's [Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices \(ACIP\)](#) [voted to recommend](#) that adults aged 60 years and older may receive a single dose of a respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine, using *shared clinical decision-making based on risk assessment*.
 - In May 2023, the FDA approved the first two RSV vaccines for adults aged 60 years and older: GSK's [Arexvy™ \(respiratory syncytial virus vaccine, adjuvanted\)](#) and Pfizer's [Abrysvo™ \(respiratory syncytial virus vaccine\)](#).
- Unlike routine, catch-up, and risk-based recommendations, [shared clinical decision-making](#) vaccinations are not recommended for everyone in a particular age group or everyone in an identifiable risk group. Shared clinical decision-making recommendations are individually based and informed by a decision process between the health care provider and the patient.
 - For routine, catch-up, and risk-based recommendations, the default decision should be to vaccinate the patient based on age group or other indication, unless contraindicated.
 - For shared clinical decision-making recommendations, the decision about whether or not to vaccinate may be informed by the best available evidence of who may benefit from vaccination; the individual's characteristics, values, and preferences; the health care provider's clinical discretion; and the characteristics of the vaccine being considered.
- The ACIP recommendations will be forwarded to the CDC director and the Department of Health and Human Services for review and approval.
 - Once approved, the final recommendations will be published in a future Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) to advise healthcare providers.
- At the ACIP meeting, GSK said it expects to price its vaccine between \$200 and \$295 per dose. Pfizer provided a price range of \$180 to \$270 per dose.
- It is expected that both Arexvy and Abrysvo will be available in time for the next RSV season, which is normally in the winter.