

## Tdap expansion – July 1, 2024

Alberta Health will provincially fund Tdap for adults 18 years of age and older in pharmacies effective July 1, 2024.

In addition to pregnant individuals, the expansion of Tdap eligibility at pharmacies will include the following:

- Individuals 18 years of age or older initiating (including unknown/uncertain or no history of a primary series) or completing a primary vaccine series.
- Individuals 18 years of age or older presenting for a reinforcing dose 10 years after their last Tdap immunization.

**Note:** if a client presents for tetanus-containing vaccine after sustaining a wound and the wound has not yet been assessed by a physician, the client should be urgently referred to their primary physician or be advised to call Health Link at 811 for wound assessment and to determine their tetanus immunization history.

Please refer to the following table for updated Product Identification Numbers (PINs) following the Tdap eligibility expansion. Should a claim be submitted to Alberta Blue Cross, pharmacies will not be required to enter the dose given into Immunization Direct Submission Mechanism .

For more information, including detailed eligibility, please refer to the **Tdap Immunization Policy for Pharmacists** (<https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/a573e342-324a-4302-8008-ca9e539903af/resource/fcddc4f8-1d0c-4453-a1b3-d7bb5d36dc2d/download/hlth-aip-bp-tdap-immunization-policy-for-pharmacists-2024-06.pdf>) located on the Alberta immunization policy webpage.

Manufacturer	Product	Vaccine	PIN	Reason code	Descriptor
Sanofi Pasteur	Adacel® 5 dose/pkg	Tdap (Tetanus/Diphtheria/ Acellular Pertussis)	10120046	46	Pregnant women
			10120050	50	Routine recommended immunization
			10120051	51	Post exposure
Glaxo-SmithKline	Boostrix® 10 dose/pkg	Tdap (Tetanus/Diphtheria/ Acellular Pertussis)	10030046	46	Pregnant women
			10030050	50	Routine recommended immunization
			10030051	51	Post exposure

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1-800-361-9632 (toll free)

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