# Let's Talk About Vaccines!

## Summary of Recommended Vaccines for the Main Risk Groups

**December 2023**

### Questions to Ask Patients:
- When was the last time you received these vaccines?
- Do you or anyone in your family need to receive these vaccines?
- Are you missing any dose or booster for a recent vaccine?
- Have you thought about getting your vaccines for this season?

### Vaccines for Different Conditions

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*Check age recommendations for the different vaccines in your country.

**All adolescents and adults should receive a Tdap vaccine booster every 10 years after completing the primary vaccination schedule in childhood. However, older adults and individuals living with asthma or COPD are at increased risk of developing complications from pertussis. Pregnant individuals should also be given a Tdap booster between weeks 27-36 of pregnancy to protect mothers and infants. Adults who have or anticipate having close contact with an infant up to 12 months old should also receive a booster to protect the infant.

Pharmacists should adapt their advice according to nationally or locally applicable vaccination guidelines and recommendations.

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For the bibliography and additional information, check the FIP vaccination microsite: [www.fip.org/letstalkaboutvaccines](http://www.fip.org/letstalkaboutvaccines)