Immunizations

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Vaccine/Other Biologicals	Acceptibility	Note
Acel-Imune	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Adsorbed
ActHIB	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Haemophilus b Conjugate (Tetanus Toxoid Conjugate)
Animal Serum Products	Defer 2 weeks after last injection.	
Anthrax vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	
Attenuvax	Defer 2 weeks.	Vaccine: Measles Virus Live (rubeola)
BCG see Tice BCG, USP		
Biavax II	Defer 4 weeks (for rubella).	Vaccine: Rubella and Mumps Virus Live
Botox	For eye surgery: defer 1 month after last injection.	Vaccine: Botulinum Toxin Type A
Botulinum toxin see Botox		
Chickenpox vaccine (Varicella zoster vaccine)	Defer 4 weeks.	
Cholera Vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Sterile suspension of killed Vibrio Cholerae
Comvax Sterile Suspension	Defer 1 day (may cause positive HBsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine). Defer 12 months if post-exposure.	Vaccine: Haemophilus b Conjugate (Meningococcal Protein Conjugate) and Hepatitis B (Recombinant)
Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed (DTP)	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Combination of purified tetanus and diphtheria toxoids combined with a suspension of Bordetella Pertussis organisms
Diphtheria vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	
DTP see Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed		
Encephalitis - See Japanese Encephalitis.		
Engerix-B Unit-Dose Vials	Defer 1 day (may cause positive HbsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine). Defer 12 months if post-exposure.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B (Recombinant)

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Flu vaccine (influenza)	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	
Fluvirin	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Influenza Virus
Gamma globulin	Accept for travel if no known exposure to hepatitis. Acceptable if primary illness meets requirements. (Hepatitis exposure: 12-month deferral.)	
Gammar see gamma globulin		
German measles (rubella) vaccine	Defer 4 weeks	
Havrix	Defer 12 months if post-exposure. Accept immediately if given prophylactically, not for exposure.	Vaccine: Hepatitis A, Inactivated
HBIG	Defer 12 months.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B Immune Globulin (Human)
Hepatitis A vaccine	Defer 12 months if post-exposure. Accept immediately if given prophylactically, not for exposure.	
Hepatitis B vaccine	Defer 1 day (may cause positive HbsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine). Defer 12 months if post-exposure.	
Hep-B-Immune Globulin	Defer 12 months.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B Immune Globulin (Human)
Heptavax	Defer 1 day (may cause positive HbsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine). Defer 12 months if post-exposure.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B
HibTITER	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Sterile conjugate of Haemophilus b and diphtheria protein
Immune globulin see gamma globulin		
Imovax Rabies Vaccine	Defer 1 year if given for rabies exposure (animal bite); otherwise accept immediately if symptom-free	Vaccine: Sterilized rabies virus
Infanrix for Intramuscular Injection	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Adsorbed
Influenza Virus Vaccine (Flu)	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Influenza Virus
Ipol	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Poliovirus Inactivated (injectible)
Japanese Encephalitis Virus vaccine see JE-Vax		

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JE-Vax	Accept immediately if symptom-free and given prophylactically (prior to travel). Note: evaluate area of travel for malaria risk	Vaccine: Japanese Encephalitis Virus Inactivated
Liquid PedvaxHIB	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Haemophilus b Meningococcal Protein Conjugate
Lyme Disease	Accept immediately if symptom-free	Recombinant
Lyophilized PedvaxHIB	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Haemophilus b Meningococcal Protein Conjugate
Measles vaccine see Rubella and Rubeola vaccines		
Meningococcal polysaccha- ride vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free	
Menomune-A/C/Y/W-135	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Meningococcal Polysaccharide
Meruvax II	Defer 4 weeks.	Vaccine: Rubella Virus Live
M-M-R II	Defer 4 weeks (for rubella).	Vaccine: Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Virus Live
M-R-VAX II	Defer 4 weeks (for rubella).	Vaccine: Measles and Rubella Virus Live
Mumps vaccine	Defer 2 weeks.	
Mumpsvax	Defer 2 weeks after last injection.	Vaccine: Mumps Virus Live
OmniHIB	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Sterile conjugate of Haemophilus b and diphtheria protein
Orimune	Defer 2 weeks.	Vaccine: Attenuated polioviruses
Paratyphoid vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free	
Pertussis vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free	
Plague vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free	
Pneumococcal vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free	
Pneumovax 23	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Pneumococcal Vaccine Polyvalent
Pnu-Imune 23	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Pneumococcal Polyvalent
Polio (injectible) vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	
Polio (oral) vaccine	Defer 2 weeks.	Killed Virus
Rabies Vaccine Adsorbed	Defer 1 year if given for rabies exposure (animal bite); otherwise accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Sterilized rabies virus
Rabies Vaccine, Imovax Rabies I.D.	Defer 1 year if given for rabies exposure (animal bite); otherwise accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Sterilized rabies virus

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Recombivax HB	Defer 1 day (may cause positive HbsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine). Defer 12 months if post-exposure.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B (Recombinant)
RhoGAM	Accept after pregnancy, miscarriage or abortion and meets required wait of 6 weeks.	Vaccine: Rh Immune Globulin
Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free	
Rubella vaccine	Defer 4 weeks.	
Rubeola vaccine Smallpox vaccine	Defer 2 weeks. Vaccinated donor, or donor who has a localized vaccinia lesion acquired through close contact with a vaccine recipient: Defer until after the scab has separated from the skin spontaneously or 21 days from date of immunization, which ever is longer, as long as donor had no other symptoms or complications. Visual verification of absence of vaccine scab is required. If scab was otherwise removed (not spontaneously separated): and If donor is a vaccine recipient, defer for 2 months after vaccination date. If donor had localized lesion acquired through close contact with a vaccine recipient, defer for 2 months after the date of attempted donation, as long as donor had no other symptoms or complications.	Vaccine: Vaccinia virus (from cowpox) closely related to smallpox provides protective immunization to smallpox. Close contact: Physical intimacy, touching the vaccination site, touching the bandages or covering of the vaccination site, or handling bedding or clothing that has been in contact with an unbandaged vaccination site.
	If donor experienced complications of vaccinia infection acquired either through vaccination or close contact with vaccine recipient, defer until 14 days after all complications are completely resolved.	
Tetanus vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free	
Tetramune	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Diphtheria, Tetanus Toxoids, Pertussis, and Haemophilus b Conjugate
Tice BCG, USP	If given to treat cancer, permanent deferral. If given for tuberculosis exposure or prevention, defer 2 weeks if asymptomatic and donor meets medical criteria for tuberculosis.	Vaccine: Live culture preparation of the Bacillus of Calmette and Guerin (BCG) strain MYCOBACTERIUM BOVIS
Tri-Immunol Adsorbed	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed
Tripedia	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed

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Typhim Vi	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	Vaccine: Typhoid Vi Polysaccharid
Typhoid (injectible) vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	
Typhoid (oral) vaccine	Defer 2 weeks.	Killed Virus
Typhus vaccine	Accept immediately if symptom-free.	
Vaqta	Defer 12 months if post-exposure. Accept immediately if given prophylactically, not for exposure.	Vaccine: Hepatitis A Vaccine, Inactivated
Varicella zoster vaccine	Defer 4 weeks.	
Varivax	Defer 4 weeks after last injection.	Vaccine: Varicella Virus Vaccine Live
Vivotif Berna	Defer 2 weeks.	Vaccine: Typhoid Vaccine Live Oral
Yellow fever vaccine	Defer 2 weeks.	