

INJECTION AUTHORITY AND VACCINE ADMINISTRATION IN PHARMACIES ACROSS CANADA

Authority
 Temporary authority under an emergency order
 Vaccines
 Drugs and vaccines
 Limited authority
 No authority

	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	YT	NWT	NU
Pharmacist Injection Authority and Prescribing													
Scope of injection authority ¹													
Pharmacists authorized to prescribe vaccines ²													
Pharmacist Administration of Vaccines^{3,4}													
Influenza													
COVID-19													
Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)													
Pneumococcal													
Meningococcal													
Haemophilus influenza B													
Hepatitis A													
Hepatitis B													
Measles, mumps, rubella													
Diphtheria, tetanus (with/without pertussis)													
Varicella zoster (chickenpox)													
Herpes zoster (shingles)													
Human papillomavirus													
Polio													
Pharmacy Student Injection Authority^{3,5}													
Influenza													
COVID-19													
Other drugs/vaccines ⁶													
Pharmacy Technician Injection Authority^{3,5,7}													
Influenza													
COVID-19													
Other drugs/vaccines ⁶													
Minimum Patient Age													
Minimum patient age	≥2 years intranasal ≥4 years injectable	≥5 years	≥5 years	≥2 years influenza, COVID-19 ≥5 years other injectable, excl. vaccines ≥7 years other vaccines	≥6 months COVID-19 ≥2 years influenza ≥5 years all other injectable	≥2 years influenza or travel-related vaccines ≥6 years all other injectable ^L	≥2 years	≥6 months influenza, COVID-19 ≥2 years all other injectable	≥2 years intranasal influenza ≥5 years influenza, rabies (pre-exposure), traveller's diarrhea, or other drugs ≥12 years COVID-19 ≥18 years other vaccines	≥ 2 years influenza, COVID-19 ≥ 5 years all other injectable	≥5 years		
General: * Pharmacists may access and administer publicly-funded vaccine; note that for each infectious disease, the individual vaccine product(s) included in public programs through pharmacies may vary by jurisdiction. Patient eligibility may vary by jurisdiction. \$ Remuneration is provided by P/T government for publicly-funded vaccine administration or assessment/prescribing of vaccine. Patient eligibility may vary by jurisdiction. 1. Authority excludes injectable cosmetic treatments (except in AB) 2. Prescribing authority is subject to additional training and/or regulatory requirements. Regulations vary by jurisdiction. 3. Injection and CPR training and application to regulatory authority required in most cases. Specific requirement vary by jurisdiction and pharmacy professional. 4. This is not a comprehensive list of all vaccines pharmacists may administer by injection. 5. Under supervision of a pharmacist with injection authority. 6. Scope of injection authority varies by jurisdiction. 7. Authority is limited to the technical functions of drug/vaccine administration.													
Jurisdictional: A. May administer other drugs for patient education/demonstration and in an emergency. B. No prescription required for most vaccines, incl. influenza, COVID-19, and any vaccine part of a routine immunization program. C. Pharmacists with Additional Prescribing Authority may prescribe vaccines. D. Pharmacists may prescribe for a list of preventable and/or travel related diseases approved by the provincial regulator. E. Prescribing for certain travel-related diseases (SK, NB) or providing comprehensive travel health services (NS) requires additional training in travel medicine. F. A pharmacist cannot administer a vaccine that has been prescribed by a pharmacist. Five vaccines can be administered without a prescription only if the patient is eligible for the publicly funded vaccine (HPV, Tdap, diphtheria, tetanus, pneumococcal and influenza). G. Pharmacists may administer all vaccines listed in Schedule 3 of the provincial regulations without a prescription. H. No prescription required for any vaccine under the provincial immunization program. I. Pneumococcal authority in MB only includes polysaccharide-containing vaccines. J. For travel indications. K. RSV vaccine only. L. Under emergency order, there are no age restrictions for the administration of influenza and COVID-19 vaccines.													