

Yellow Fever

Yellow Fever Vaccine Recommendations

Yellow Fever and Travel

- Before you go, do your homework: Travelers' Health
- Search for yellow fever vaccination clinics.
- Don't forget to bring proof of vaccination on your trip.

Announcement

U.S. Yellow Fever Vaccine Access

Sanofi Pasteur, the manufacturer of the only yellow fever vaccine (YF-Vax) licensed in the United States, expects to provide an update by the end of 2019 on the return to supply of YF-Vax.

Yellow fever vaccine is recommended for people who are 9 months old or older and who are traveling to or living in areas at risk for yellow fever virus in Africa and South America.

For most people, a single dose of yellow fever vaccine provides long-lasting protection and a booster dose of the vaccine is not needed. However, travelers going to areas with ongoing outbreaks may consider getting a booster dose of yellow fever vaccine if it has been 10 years or more since they were last vaccinated. Certain countries might also require a booster dose of the vaccine; visit Travelers' Health for information on specific country requirements.

Talk to your healthcare provider to determine if you need a yellow fever vaccination or a booster shot before your trip to an area at risk for yellow fever.

Some people may have an increased risk of developing a reaction to the vaccine, but may still benefit from being vaccinated. These people, or their guardians, should talk to a healthcare provider about getting vaccinated:

- Between 6 and 8 months old
- Over 60 years old
- Pregnant
- Breastfeeding

A few people should *not* get the vaccine. Vaccine is not recommended for people who are:

- Allergic to a vaccine or something in the vaccine (like eggs)
- Aged 6 months or younger
- Organ transplant recipients
- Diagnosed with a malignant tumor
- Diagnosed with thymus disorder associated with abnormal immune function
- Diagnosed with a primary immunodeficiency
- Using immunosuppressive and immunomodulatory therapies
- Showing symptoms of HIV infection or CD4+ T-lymphocytes less than 200/mm³ (less than 15% of total lymphocytes in children aged 6 years or younger)

It is important to remember that CDC's vaccine *recommendations* are a different thing than country entry *requirements*. Proof of yellow fever vaccine may be required for entry into certain countries. Vaccination requirements for specific countries are available on the CDC Travelers' Health page.

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