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Keep Pneumonia Away!
Should YOU be Vaccinated?

Working in partnership with Ocean State Adult Immunization Coalition
and the Rhode Island Department of Health.

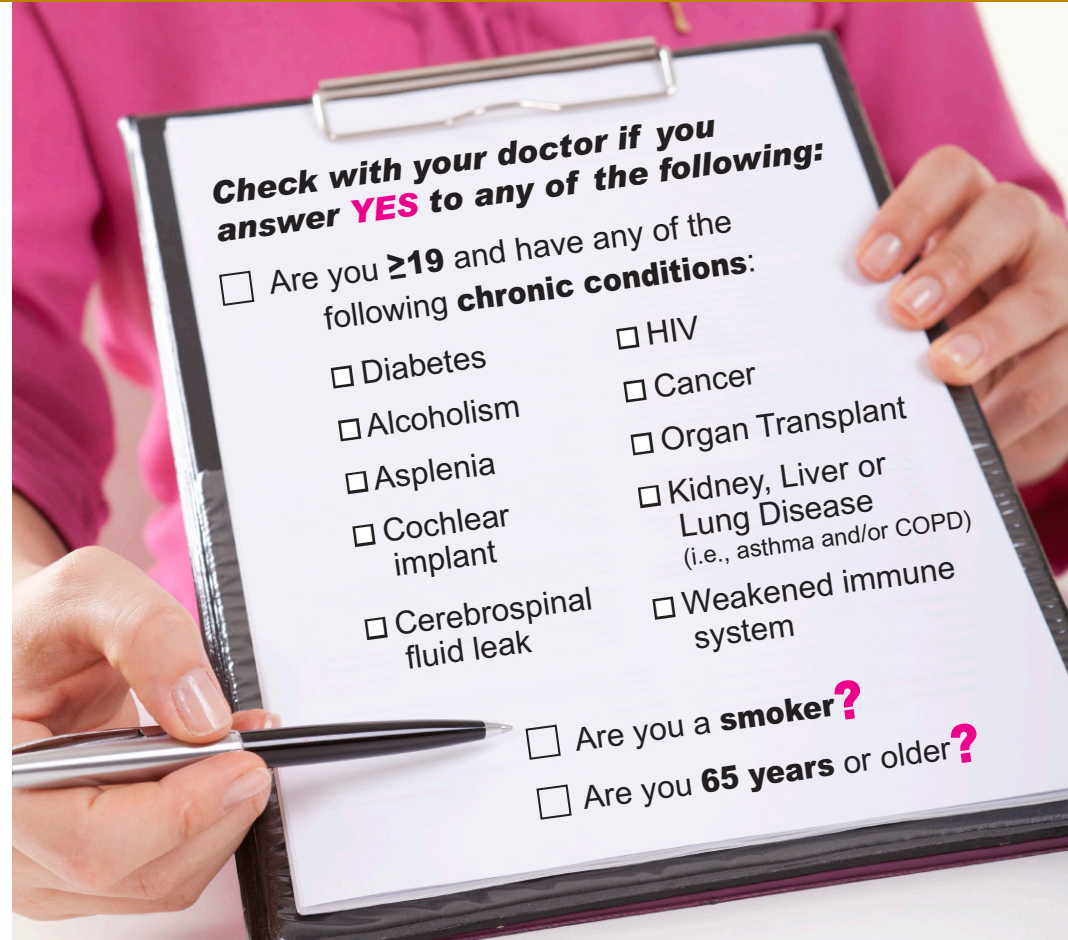


**For more information about
Pneumococcal Vaccination
Contact Drug Information Services**

401-874-9188

Monday-Friday 8:30am - 4:00pm EST

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References:
Kyaw MH, Rose CE Jr, Fry AM, et al. The influence of chronic illnesses on the incidence of
invasive pneumococcal disease in adults. J Infect Dis 2005;192:377-86.
Source of Information: National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (www.adultvaccination.com)
and Immunization Action Coalition (www.immunize.org); accessed October 3, 2013.

Take this brochure to your health care professional.

Ask about your

Pneumococcal Vaccination Today!



What is Pneumococcal Disease?

Pneumococcal (noo-muh-kok-ul) disease is caused by *Streptococcus pneumoniae*, a bacteria commonly found in your nose and throat.



How do you Catch it?

You can catch Pneumococcal bacteria from infected people who cough or sneeze around you.



Why should I be concerned?

Pneumococcal disease kills more people in the United States each year than all other vaccine-preventable diseases combined!

Pneumonia is the most **COMMON** form caused by *Streptococcus pneumoniae*.

Pneumococci are a major cause of the **900,000** cases of community-acquired pneumonia (CAP) in the US each year. Approximately **175,000** annually are hospitalized in the US with pneumococcal pneumonia.

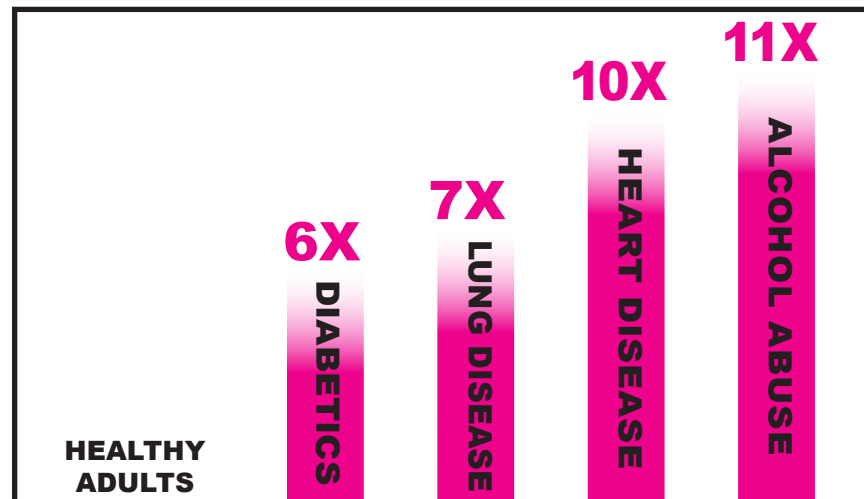
Invasive pneumococcal disease (like blood infections and meningitis) are **DEADLY**.



Pneumococcal meningitis

kills 1 in 3 adults who get it.

Chronic Conditions Increase Your Risk



How do I protect myself?

Get Vaccinated!

Ask your healthcare provider about your **Pneumococcal Vaccination Today!**

Part B Medicare covers **100%** of the vaccination.



Vaccinations are for All Generations!