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# Merck Vaccine Patient Assistance Program

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Offered through the Merck Patient Assistance Program, Inc.

# Welcome to the Merck Vaccine Patient Assistance Program

Because very limited public funding is available in the United States to provide vaccines to adults without insurance, Merck has created the Merck Vaccine Patient Assistance Program (MVPAP).

This private and confidential program provides vaccines free of charge to eligible adults, mainly the uninsured who, without our assistance, could not afford certain needed Merck adult vaccines.

This booklet will help you understand the program. If you have any questions, please call 800-293-3881, 8 AM to 8 PM ET, Monday through Friday, and a live operator will be available to assist you.



# You May Qualify

If your doctor or health care professional (eg, nurse practitioner, physician assistant) has determined that you should be vaccinated with a Merck vaccine available through this program, you may be eligible for the program if all of the following conditions apply:

1. You live in the United States and are aged 19 or older.\*
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2. You do not have health insurance or other coverage for vaccines.  
Examples of health insurance include private insurance, HMOs, Medicaid, Medicare Part D, veterans assistance, and any other social service agency support. Patients with insurance may still qualify if they have special circumstances of financial and medical hardship.
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3. You cannot afford to pay for vaccination.

You may qualify for the program if you have a household income at a specific financial criteria level. For details, call 800-293-3881.

However, Merck recognizes that sometimes exceptions need to be made based on a patient's circumstances. Patients who do not meet the insurance coverage criteria may still qualify for the vaccine program if they have special circumstances of financial and medical hardship.

\*You do not have to be a US citizen.



# What You Need to Do

**Step 1.** Talk with your doctor or licensed health care professional to find out if you are an appropriate candidate for vaccines available through this program.

**Step 2.** If it is determined that you should be vaccinated, you and your doctor/licensed health care professional must complete and sign the enrollment form.

**Step 3.** Allow the Merck Vaccine Patient Assistance Program (MVPAP) to verify your current gross annual household income (household income before taxes are withdrawn) by either:

a. Authorizing MVPAP and other individuals involved in administering the MVPAP to obtain your consumer report and/or other information related to your credit report to determine your eligibility to participate in the program. This verification will not affect your credit rating

**OR**

b. By faxing the completed application form with any ONE of the following documents showing proof of the household income you provided on the application form:

- Most recent 1040 Federal Tax Form
- One month of pay stubs, prior to application date
- Social Security Benefits Letter
- Veteran Benefits Statement
- Unemployment Benefit Statement
- Disability Statement
- Pension Letter
- Letter from an employer

**Step 4.** Your doctor/licensed health care professional should fax the completed enrollment form to 800-528-2551.



## IMPORTANT PROGRAM INFORMATION

The enrollment form must be submitted and approved PRIOR to the administration of vaccine in order to qualify. Our goal is to process the forms quickly—with a goal of less than 10 minutes from the time we receive your completed and signed form and any supporting documents. We will notify the doctor/licensed health care professional by phone in the hope you can receive the Merck vaccine during that visit. Some vaccines require more than 1 dose. A new enrollment form must be completed, submitted, and approved before a patient can receive any additional dosages.

**Download Enrollment Form [here](#)**

# Merck Vaccines Available Through the Merck Vaccine Patient Assistance Program

For the most current list of Merck medicines available, please call the Merck Vaccine Patient Assistance Program (MVPAP) at 800-293-3881, or visit [merckhelps.com](https://www.merckhelps.com).

## Medicine Assistance Tool

Merck is a proud participant in PhRMA's Medicine Assistance Tool (MAT). MAT helps eligible patients get free or nearly free brand name medicines through a single website. Visit MAT at [www.medicineassistancetool.org](https://www.medicineassistancetool.org)



## Other Important Information

Vaccines distributed through the MVPAP are free of charge to all eligible people. Merck is not associated with any individuals or organizations that may charge a fee to assist in completing an enrollment form for our program. These individuals or organizations are acting independently of Merck and do not have Merck's consent.\*

Merck reserves the right to change or discontinue the program at any time.

\*Your physician could charge for administering the vaccine or for an office visit, but not for the vaccine product.





## Important Reminders

For more information on the Merck Vaccine Patient Assistance Program, call 800-293-3881 or visit [merckhelps.com](https://merckhelps.com). Specialists are available to assist you Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 8 PM ET.

This is not insurance.



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## Other Ways Merck Puts Patients First

Please visit [merckhelps.com](https://merckhelps.com) for information on other programs.

The Merck Vaccine Patient Assistance Program provides vaccines to eligible individuals, primarily the uninsured, who, without our assistance could not afford needed Merck medicines. For more information, please call 800-293-3881.

Merck is a proud participant in the Medicine Assistance Tool (MAT) that helps qualifying patients without prescription drug coverage get the medicines they need through the program that is right for them. For more information on the MAT, please visit [www.medicineassistancetool.org](https://www.medicineassistancetool.org).



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