

# Armed Services Blood Program Immunizations/Injections List

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Any deviations must adhere to the current Service (Army, Navy, and Air Force) specific and /or local Standard Operating Procedures dealing with the screening of blood donors and can only be made by the Medical Director with documented justifications.

## Computer dating period for Immunization/Injection deferrals 7 days=1 week

Immunization/Injections	Acceptability	Notes
Acel-Immune	Accept.	Vaccine: Diphtheria and Tetanus, Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Adsorbed.
ActHIB	Accept.	Vaccine: Haemophilus B Conjugate (Tetanus Toxoid Conjugate).
Adenovirus Type 4 and Type 7 Vaccine	Defer for 4 weeks.	
Allergy Shot	Defer for 1 day.	
Animal Serum Products	Defer for 2 weeks after last injection.	
Anthrax Vaccine	Accept.	
Attenuvax	Defer for 2 weeks after injection.	Vaccine: Measles Virus Live (Rubeola).
BCG (Bacillus Calmette-Guerin)	Indefinite deferral if given to treat cancer. Defer for 2 weeks if given for tuberculosis exposure or prevention.	Live, attenuated strain of Mycobacterium bovis. Also called TICE® BCG.
Biavax II	Defer for 4 weeks after injection (for Rubella).	Vaccine: Rubella and Mumps Virus Live.
Botox	Accept.	Evaluate medical condition.
Botulinum Toxin	Accept.	Evaluate medical condition.
Chickenpox/Shingles Vaccine	Defer for 4 weeks after injection.	Also see Varicella Zoster Vaccine.
Cholera Vaccine	Accept.	Vaccine: Sterile suspension of killed Vibrio Cholerae.

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Comvax Sterile Suspension	Defer for 3 days if given prophylactically. Defer for 1 year if given for exposure.	Vaccine: Haemophilus B Conjugate (Meningococcal Protein Conjugate) and Hepatitis B(Recombinant). Up to 3 days post inoculation the vaccine may cause positive Hep B Surface Antigen (HBsAg) due to antigen present in the vaccine.
Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed (DTP)	Accept.	Vaccine: Combination of purified Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids combined with a suspension of Bordetella Pertussis organisms.
Diphtheria Vaccine	Accept.	
Encephalitis	Defer for 3 days.	Vaccine: Japanese Encephalitis Virus Inactivated. May cause a positive WNV test results.
Engerix-B Unit-Dose Vials	Defer for 3 days if given prophylactically. Defer for 1 year if given for exposure.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B (Recombinant). Prior to 3 days, vaccine may cause positive HBsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine up to 72 hours post inoculation.
Flu Vaccine (Influenza)	Accept. Defer for 3 days if symptomatic.	
Flu-Mist® (Influenza Virus Vaccine, Live, Intranasal)	Accept. Defer for 3 days if symptomatic.	Intranasal vaccine for influenza; No viremia. Anti-influenza nasal immunization.
Fluvirin	Accept. Defer for 3 days if symptomatic.	Vaccine: Influenza Virus.
Gamma Globulin	Defer for 1 year if for exposure to Hepatitis. Accept if given prophylactically.	
Gammar	Defer for 1 year if for exposure to Hepatitis. Accept if given prophylactically.	Immune Globulin.
Gardasil (Human Papillomavirus)	Accept.	Recombinant.
German Measles (Rubella)	Defer for 4 weeks after injection.	
H1N1	Accept.	Intranasal or intramuscular swine flu vaccine.
Havrix	Defer for 1 year if given for exposure. Accept if given prophylactically.	Vaccine: Hepatitis A – Inactivated.
HBIG	Defer for 1 year after injection.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B Immune Globulin.

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Hepatitis A Vaccine	Defer for 1 year if given for exposure. Accept if given prophylactically.	
Hepatitis B Vaccine	Defer for 3 days if given prophylactically. Defer for 1 year if given for exposure.	Vaccine may cause positive HBsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine up to 72 hours post inoculation.
Hep-B-Immune Globulin	Defer for 1 year after injection.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B Immune Globulin.
Heptavax	Defer for 3 days if given prophylactically. Defer for 1 year if given for exposure.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B Vaccine may cause positive HBsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine up to 72 hours post inoculation.
HibTITER	Accept.	Vaccine: Sterile conjugate of Haemophilus Influenza B and Diphtheria protein.
HPV	Accept.	Vaccine: Human Papilloma Virus.
Immune Globulin	Defer for 1 year if for exposure to Hepatitis. Accept if given when no exposure to Hepatitis.	
Imovax Rabies Vaccine	Defer for 1 year if given for rabies exposure (animal bite). Accept if given prophylactically.	Vaccine: Sterilized rabies virus.
Infanrix for Intramuscular Injection	Accept.	Vaccine: Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Adsorbed.
Influenza Virus Vaccine (Flu)	Accept. Defer for 3 days if symptomatic.	
Ipol	Accept.	Vaccine: Poliovirus Inactivated (injectable).
Japanese Encephalitis Virus Vaccine	Defer for 3 days.	Vaccine: Japanese Encephalitis Virus Inactivated. May cause a positive WNV test results.
JE-Vax	Defer for 3 days.	Vaccine: Japanese Encephalitis Virus Inactivated. May cause a positive WNV test results.
Liquid Pedvax HIB	Accept.	Vaccine: Haemophilus B Meningococcal Protein Conjugate.
Lyme Disease	Accept.	Recombinant.
Lyophilized Pedvax HIB	Accept.	Vaccine: Haemophilus B Meningococcal Protein Conjugate.

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Measles Vaccine	Rubella (German measles): Defer for 4 weeks after injection. Rubeola: Defer 2 weeks after injection.	
Meningococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine	Accept.	
Menomune-A/C/Y/W-135	Accept.	Vaccine: Meningococcal Polysaccharide.
Meruvax II	Defer for 4 weeks after injection.	Vaccine: Rubella Virus Live.
MMR II	Defer for 4 weeks (for Rubella) after injection.	Vaccine: Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Virus Live.
M-R-VAX II	Defer for 4 weeks (for Rubella) after injection.	Vaccine: Measles and Rubella Virus Live.
Mumps Vaccine	Defer for 2 weeks after injection.	
Mumpsvox	Defer for 2 weeks after last injection.	Vaccine: Mumps Virus Live.
OmniHIB	Accept.	Vaccine: Sterile conjugate of Haemophilus B and Diphtheria protein.
Orimune	Defer for 2 weeks after injection.	Vaccine: Attenuated Polioviruses.
Paratyphoid Vaccine	Accept.	
Pertussis Vaccine	Accept.	
Plague Vaccine	Accept.	
Pneumococcal Vaccine	Accept.	
Pneumovax 23	Accept.	Vaccine: Pneumococcal Polyvalent.
Pnu-Imune 23	Accept.	Vaccine: Pneumococcal Polyvalent.
Polio (injectable) Vaccine	Accept.	
Polio (oral) vaccine	Defer for 2 weeks after ingestion.	Killed Virus.
Rabies Vaccine Adsorbed	Defer for 1 year if given for rabies exposure (animal bite). Accept if given prophylactically.	
Rabies Vaccine, Imovax Rabies I.D.	Defer for 1 year if given for rabies exposure (animal bite). Accept if given prophylactically.	Vaccine: Sterilized Rabies Virus.

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Recombivax HB	Defer for 3 days if given prophylactically. Defer for 1 year if given for exposure.	Vaccine: Hepatitis B (Recombinant). Vaccine may cause positive HBsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine up to 72 hours post inoculation.
Rh Immune Globulin	Defer for 6 weeks after injection.	Vaccine: Rh Immune Globulin. (Common names: RhoGAM, Rhophylac, WinRho).
RhoGAM	Defer for 6 weeks after injection.	Vaccine: Rh Immune Globulin.
Rhophylac	Defer for 6 weeks after injection.	Vaccine: Rh Immune Globulin.
Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever Vaccine	Accept.	
Rubella (German Measles) Vaccine	Defer for 4 weeks after injection.	
Rubeola Vaccine	Defer for 2 weeks after injection.	
Shingles/Chicken Pox Vaccine	Defer for 4 weeks after injection.	Also see Varicella Zoster Vaccine.
Smallpox Vaccine	<p><b>Immunization Recipient:</b> Defer until after the scab has separated from the skin spontaneously or 21 days from the date of immunization, whichever is longer, as long as donor had no other symptoms or complications. Visual verification of absence of vaccine scab required.</p> <p>Defer for 56 days after the vaccination if scab is otherwise removed. (Non-Spontaneous Scab).</p> <p><b>Exposure:</b> If donor has localized lesions acquired thru close contact with a vaccine recipient and scab has not fallen off by the attempted donation date, defer 3 months after date of contact's vaccination or if the date of the contact's vaccination is not known, defer 2 months from today's date.</p> <p>Defer 14 days after all complications are resolved if donor experienced complications or vaccinia infection.</p>	<p>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 other clothing that has been in contact with an unbandage vaccination site.</p> <p>Severe complications include the following: rash (resembling blisters) covering a small or large area of the body; necrosis (tissue death) in the area of exposure; encephalitis (inflammation of the brain); infection of the cornea (eye); and localized or systemic skin reaction in someone with eczema or other chronic skin condition.</p>
Steroid Injection	See Medical Director for approval.	
Tdap Injection	Accept.	Vaccine: Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis.
Tetanus Vaccine	Accept.	

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Tetramune	Accept.	Vaccine: Diphtheria, Tetanus Toxoids, Pertussis, and Haemophilus B Conjugate.
TICE BCG, USP	Permanent deferral if given to treat cancer. Defer for 2 weeks if given for tuberculosis exposure or prevention.	Vaccine: Live culture preparation of the Bacillus of Calmette and Guerin (BCG) strain Mycobacterium Bovis.
Tri-Immunol Absorbed	Accept.	Vaccine: Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoids and Pertussis Vaccine Absorbed.
Tripedia	Accept.	Vaccine: Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoids and Pertussis Vaccine Absorbed.
Tuberculosis Skin Test	<p>Defer donors who have a positive test, who did not receive shot as part of basic health screening, or who have redness, induration, or swelling at the site.</p> <p>Defer donors who did not receive shot as part of basic health screening until results are received.</p> <p>Accept donors with negative test results.</p> <p>Accept donors who have just received a TB skin test but have not yet had the test read if: 1) the test was part of a basic health screen (not because the donor is symptomatic) There is no redness or induration (swelling).</p> <p>Accept donors who have positive TB skin test if the following conditions are met: Greater than one year since treatment and Donor had a negative chest x-ray.</p>	
Twinrix	Defer for 3 days after injection.	Combined Hep A/B shot. Vaccine may cause positive HBsAg due to antigen present in the vaccine up to 72 hours post inoculation.
Typhim Vi	Accept.	Vaccine: Typhoid Vi Polysaccharide.
Typhoid (injectable) Vaccine	Accept.	
Typhoid (oral) Vaccine	Defer for 2 weeks after ingestion.	Killed Virus.
Typhus Vaccine	Accept.	
Unlicensed Vaccine	Defer for 1 year.	
Vaqta	Accept if given prophylactically. Defer for 1 year if given for exposure.	Vaccine: Hepatitis A Vaccine, Inactivated.

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Varicella Zoster Vaccine	Defer for 4 weeks after injection.	Also see Chicken Pox Vaccine and Shingles Vaccine.
Varivax	Defer for 4 weeks after injection.	Vaccine: Varicella Virus Vaccine Live.
Vivotif Berna	Defer for 2 weeks after injection.	Vaccine: Typhoid Vaccine Live Oral.
WinRho	Defer for 6 weeks after injection.	Vaccine: Rh Immune Globulin.
Yellow Fever Vaccine	Defer for 2 weeks after injection.	

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