

TITLE 7 HEALTH
CHAPTER 5 VACCINATIONS AND IMMUNIZATIONS
PART 6 ADULT IMMUNIZATIONS

7.5.6.1 ISSUING AGENCY: Public Health Division, Department of Health.
[7.5.6.1 NMAC - N, xx/xx/2026]

7.5.6.2 SCOPE: These regulations govern the recommended immunization for adults residing in New Mexico to protect against diseases that are deemed to be dangerous to public health.
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7.5.6.3 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: These regulations are promulgated by the secretary of the New Mexico department of health under the authority of Section 24-5-1 NMSA 1978. Enforcement of these regulations is the responsibility of the public health division of the New Mexico department of health.
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7.5.6.4 DURATION: Permanent.
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7.5.6.5 EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2026.
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7.5.6.6 OBJECTIVE: The objective is to provide for the health and safety of New Mexicans by recommending adult immunizations to abate the spread of diseases that are dangerous to the public health.
[7.5.6.6 NMAC - N, xx/xx/2026]

7.5.6.7 DEFINITIONS:

A. Definitions beginning with “A”:

- (1) “Adult”** means a person who is age 19 years and above.
- (2) “Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices”** means the federal advisory committee that provides guidance and recommendations for the use of vaccines to prevent and control diseases in the United States.
- (3) “American Academy of Family Physicians”** means the national medical association for family physicians, residents, and medical students committed to treating the whole person through the specialty of family medicine and supports recommendations on the use of vaccines to prevent and control diseases in the United States.
- (4) “American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists”** means the national professional membership organization for obstetricians and gynecologists that is dedicated to improving the lives of all people seeking obstetrician and gynecologic care, their families, and communities, and supports recommendations on the use of vaccines to control diseases in the United States.
- (5) “American College of Physicians”** means the global medical specialty organization of internal medicine specialists and subspecialists who apply scientific knowledge and clinical expertise to the diagnosis and compassionate care of adults and supports recommendations on the use of vaccines to control diseases in the United States.

B. Definitions beginning with “B”: [RESERVED]

C. Definitions beginning with “C”: [RESERVED]

D. Definitions beginning with “D”: “Department” means the New Mexico department of health.

E. Definitions beginning with “E”: [RESERVED]

F. Definitions beginning with “F”: [RESERVED]

G. Definitions beginning with “G”: [RESERVED]

H. Definitions beginning with “H”: [RESERVED]

I. Definitions beginning with “I”: [RESERVED]

J. Definitions beginning with “J”: [RESERVED]

K. Definitions beginning with “K”: [RESERVED]

L. Definitions beginning with “L”: [RESERVED]

M. Definitions beginning with “M”: [RESERVED]

N. Definitions beginning with “N”: [RESERVED]
O. Definitions beginning with “O”: [RESERVED]
P. Definitions beginning with “P”: [RESERVED]
Q. Definitions beginning with “Q”: [RESERVED]
R. Definitions beginning with “R”: [RESERVED]
S. Definitions beginning with “S”: “Secretary” means the cabinet secretary for the New Mexico department of health.

T. Definitions beginning with “T”: [RESERVED]
U. Definitions beginning with “U”: [RESERVED]
V. Definitions beginning with “V”: [RESERVED]
W. Definitions beginning with “W”: [RESERVED]
X. Definitions beginning with “X”: [RESERVED]
Y. Definitions beginning with “Y”: [RESERVED]
Z. Definitions beginning with “Z”: [RESERVED]

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7.5.6.8 IMMUNIZATION REECOMENDATIONS:

A. The department shall develop immunization recommendations for adults residing in New Mexico including the recommended manner and frequency of their administration. The initial recommendations shall be issued within three months of the final promulgation of this rule. The department shall review the recommendations at least annually and update them as necessary to protect and promote the health and welfare of the citizens of New Mexico. Updated recommendations shall be issued no later than December 31 of each year; provided, however, that the recommendations for the succeeding year shall take effect upon issuance by the department.

B. In developing these recommendations, the department may utilize evidence-based guidance from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, American Academy of Family Physicians, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the American College of Physicians, or the Vaccine Integrity Project.

C. The department shall consult with the health care authority and the office of the superintendent of insurance when developing the recommendations.

D. The recommendations shall be approved by the secretary.

E. Throughout the year, the secretary may amend the recommended vaccines to include vaccines for preventable diseases as determined by the department.

[7.5.6.8 NMAC - N, xx/xx/2026]