



Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care

Public Health

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RE: Updates to the Adult Tetanus Booster Immunization Program

Dear Health Care Provider,

Effective April 1, 2025, Manitoba Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care is updating the vaccine used for the adult tetanus booster immunization program as follows:

Vaccine currently offered	Replacing with
Tetanus, diphtheria (Td Adsorbed)	Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Adacel®, Boostrix®)

The eligibility criteria for Tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) will be updated online as of April 1, 2025, to include adults who are due for a tetanus booster (recommended every 10 years). More information about eligibility can be found at: <https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/vaccineeligibility.html>

The Tdap Vaccine Factsheet, and Routine and Not Previously Immunized Immunization Schedules will also be updated online as of April 1, 2025.

Please ensure the correct Tariff codes are selected based on the product being administered. Existing tariffs for Tetanus, diphtheria (Td Adsorbed) will be removed at a later date. Physicians and those who shadow bill are to use the following Tariff code:

- Tdap (Adacel®, Boostrix®): 8907

Please use up your supply of Td Adsorbed vaccine. Once depleted, please order Tdap vaccine on a go-forward basis. Please ensure that you have a supply of Tdap (Adacel®, Boostrix®) to support this program change.

The change from Td to Tdap aims to protect adults from pertussis (whooping cough) and subsequently reduce risk of transmission to infants who are at highest risk of severe respiratory disease, while maintaining protection against tetanus and diphtheria.

Please share this information with all colleagues at your facility/clinic.

If you have any questions, please email vaccines@gov.mb.ca.

Sincerely,

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