

FALL 2023 VACCINE INFORMATION

COVID-19 VACCINES

The FDA and CDC have approved an updated COVID-19 vaccine. The updated COVID-19 vaccine is recommended for everyone aged 6 months and older. Valley Medical Group supports vaccination and the CDC recommendations.

ADULT PATIENTS: Adult patients please contact your local pharmacy for the updated COVID-19 vaccine.

PEDIATRIC PATIENTS: Valley Medical Group expects to receive COVID-19 vaccine for children 6 months thru 18 years in the near future.

FLU VACCINES:

Valley Medical Group has received flu vaccines and recommends the flu vaccine for all ages. Valley Medical Group provides vaccines during medical appointments and scheduled "flu clinic" appointments.

RESPIRATORY SYNCTIAL VIRUS (RSV) VACCINE

The CDC has recently recommended that patients 60 years and older consider getting the new RSV vaccine when it becomes available this fall. RSV is a virus that causes an upper respiratory infection that can lead to hospitalizations and associated complications, including death. Patients who are at greatest risk from the infections are those with heart disease, chronic lung disease, immunosuppressed patients and/or patients living in long term care facilities. Valley Medical Group supports you getting this vaccine if you have one of these conditions. Please contact your local pharmacy for the vaccine.

BEYFORTUS MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY MEDICATION

Beyfortus is a prescription medicine used to help prevent a serious lung disease caused by Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) in:

- Newborns and babies under 1 year of age born during or entering their first RSV season.
- Children up to 24 months of age who remain at risk of severe RSV disease through their second RSV season.

Valley Medical Group expects to receive Beyfortus when it is made available through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program.