

Td

Tetanus Vaccines	Primary Immunization Schedule* (7 years and older who have an incomplete DTaP or DT series or have never received DTaP or pediatric DT)	Minimum Age	Booster Doses
Td (Tenivac®) <i>(Sanofi Pasteur)</i>	Not fully immunized – Table 1 Not immunized – Table 2	7 years	0.5 mL every 10 years

Td Vaccine General Recommendations

- Td or Tdap are the vaccines of choice for children and adults 7 years and older.
- A primary series may consist of 3 or 4 doses, depending on whether the person has received prior doses of diphtheria-containing vaccine and the age the doses were administered.
- For unvaccinated persons 7 years and older, the primary series is 3 doses*. ACIP recommends that one of these doses (preferably the 1st) be administered as Tdap.
- A booster dose of Td should be given every 10 years.
- There is no need to restart a series regardless of the time elapsed between doses.
- Persons recovering from tetanus should begin or complete a vaccination series with tetanus toxoid (Td) during convalescence.

Diphtheria Prophylaxis for Contacts

- Td vaccine may be used for post-exposure diphtheria prophylaxis in persons 7 years of age and older who have not completed the primary vaccination series, whose vaccination status is unknown, or who have not been vaccinated with diphtheria toxoid within the previous 5 years.

Tetanus Wound Management:

- Persons with wounds that are neither clean nor minor and have had 0-2 prior doses of tetanus toxoid or have an uncertain history of prior doses should receive tetanus immune globulin (TIG) as well as Td or Tdap. Early doses of toxoid may not induce immunity but TIG provides temporary immunity by providing antitoxin.

Contraindications

- A severe allergic reaction (anaphylaxis) to a vaccine component or following a prior dose of tetanus toxoid
- If a contraindication to using tetanus toxoid-containing preparations exists, passive immunization with tetanus immune globulin (TIG) should be considered whenever an injury other than a clean minor wound occurs
- Moderate or severe illness until condition improves

Precautions

- Tip caps of pre-filled syringes may contain natural rubber latex which may cause allergic reactions in latex sensitive individuals
- History of Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS) within 6 weeks of a tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine

Adverse Reactions

- **Injection site:** pain redness, swelling, nodule, abscess
- **Local:** exaggerated (Arthus-like) painful swelling from shoulder to elbow
- **Severe Systemic Reactions:** generalized urticaria (hives); anaphylaxis (rare); or neurologic complications (GBS, brachial neuritis), fever of >103°F

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Table 1 – Persons 7 years and older who are not fully immunized. May get a total of 4 doses.

Doses	Intervals
Dose 1 - Tdap	-----
Dose 2 - Td	4 weeks after Tdap
Dose 3 - Td	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 weeks If first dose of DTaP/DT was administered before the 1st birthday <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 months (as final dose) after Td if first dose of DTaP/DT was administered at or after the 1st birthday OR Tdap/Td was administered at or after the 7th birthday
Dose 4 - Td	6 months after the 2nd Td if first dose of DTaP/DT was administered before the 1 st birthday
Booster dose of Td every 10 years	

Table 2 – Persons 7 years and older who are not immunized.

Doses	Intervals
Dose 1 - Tdap	-----
Dose 2 – Td	4 weeks
Dose 3 - Td	6-12 months
Booster dose of Td every 10 years.	