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Updating immunization schedules to reflect GSK vaccines

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) publishes schedules for recommended vaccines appropriate to specific patients. The CDC schedule includes universal recommendations, meaning vaccines recommended for all patients of a certain age, and risk-recommended vaccines for those patients having certain conditions or specific health risks.

Allscripts Professional EHR has immunization schedules for the CDC universally recommended vaccines built-in, maintained, and periodically updated by Allscripts. Some GSK vaccines are risk-recommended vaccines by the CDC and may not appear in Allscripts-provided vaccine schedules in Professional EHR and must be added manually.

Benefits of manually updating immunization schedules

Providers decide which vaccines to routinely administer to their patients. Adding vaccines to the EHR immunization schedule, so it matches the practice’s vaccine protocol, helps ensure that patients are identified and prescribed appropriate vaccinations, including GSK vaccines with a risk-based recommendation.

Considerations when adding GSK vaccines to the immunization schedule in Allscripts Professional EHR:

- Manually added vaccines may not be screened for drug interaction and allergy information

- There may be local business rules in place which prevent the manual addition of a vaccine in the EHR product list

- User privileges to manually update an immunization schedule may be limited to select users with specific security privileges or subject to practice business policies

If you have further technical questions, consult your internal or external EHR support resources.

This Guide provides a high-level overview of how to manually update immunization schedules to reflect GSK vaccines within the Allscripts Professional EHR immunization schedule. This summary is designed to provide guidance for you, your practice electronic health record (EHR) champion, or IT staff.

Please note that this guide was created based upon Allscripts Professional EHR version 16.0. Features and their locations may change as new software versions are released.

This guide is meant to serve as overview information only, and should not replace detailed instructions provided to you by your internal or external EHR support resources.
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Updating immunization schedule in the Customization Module

With the immunization scheduling feature, providers can accurately track and manage immunizations based on the schedules released by the CDC. In Allscripts Professional EHR, the CDC schedule for adult vaccines is not maintained by Allscripts and must be updated by the practices using the Customization Module, where adult vaccines can be added.

To add a vaccine to the Immunization Schedule, the Immunization Record for that vaccine must exist. After the Immunization Record is created, it can be added to the Immunization Schedule.

This task may require the involvement of the IT staff, practice manager, or the practice EHR champion.

Below is a summary of the process to add an Immunization Record to the Immunization Schedule.

Adding the Immunization Record to the Immunization Schedule

- Access the Clinical Customization Module

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References

- Web Browser
- Edit External References
- From the Clinical Customization Menu, select **Catalogs/Immunization Catalog**
- From the Immunization Catalog, select **Immunization Schedule**
- To add a new immunization, select the **green plus sign** icon
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- The **Immunization Schedule Properties** display

![Immunization Schedule Properties](image)

- Select the **green arrow** icon to search for the vaccine to be added
- Filter to find the desired immunization, and double click to select. Select **OK**

![Update Immunizations for Schedule Template](image)
- Return to the Clinical Customization Module. In the Immunization Catalog, select **Schedule Ages**
- Scroll to choose the appropriate age, and select **OK**

- Select **OK** to save
- The vaccination has now been added to the **Immunization Schedule**