



WakeMed

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**SPLENECTOMY VACCINE
SCHEDULE**

Patient Information

Patients without a functional spleen need to be vaccinated against certain types of bacteria to avoid life-threatening infections.

By being vaccinated, you significantly reduce the risk of life-threatening infections.

These vaccinations apply to any patient who has had their spleen removed surgically or undergone splenic artery embolization.

Please share the vaccine schedule below with your primary care physician to ensure you are receiving the right vaccines at the right time.

If you have any questions or concerns please call us at 919-350-7331 (Raleigh General Surgery and Trauma Surgery Clinic) or 919-350-5310 (WakeMed Raleigh Main).

Splenoectomy Vaccine Schedule

Name: _____

DOB: _____

	Initial Vaccines Date: _____	8-week Vaccines Date: _____	Long-term
Pneumococcal 13-valent conjugate (PCV13 – Prevnar 13)	√		
Pneumococcal polysaccharide (PPSV23 – Pneumovax 23)		√	Repeat every 5 years to equal 2 doses below the age of 65 plus one dose after age 65.
Meningococcal serogroups A, C, Y, & W (MedQuadfi)	√	√	Repeat every 5-years for life.
Meningococcal serogroup B (Bexsero)	√	√	Repeat at 1-year and every 3-years thereafter for life.
Haemophilus influenza type B (Hib - ActHIB)	√		

Notes:

- Prevnar 13:
 - Should only be given if no history of previous dose.
- Pneumovax 23:
 - There must be at least 5-years between doses.
 - Patients should receive Pneumovax 23 every 5 years to equal 2 doses below the age of 65 plus one dose after age 65.
 - If the patient is age 65 or greater and has already received the Pneumovax 23 they do not require an additional dose.
- MedQaudfi:
 - Give series of 2 if no history of 2 previous doses.
 - Repeat every 5 years for life.
- Bexsero:
 - Give series of 2 if no history of 2 previous doses.
 - Repeat at 1-year and every 3-years thereafter for life.
- ActHIB:
 - Should be given if no history of previous dose.