

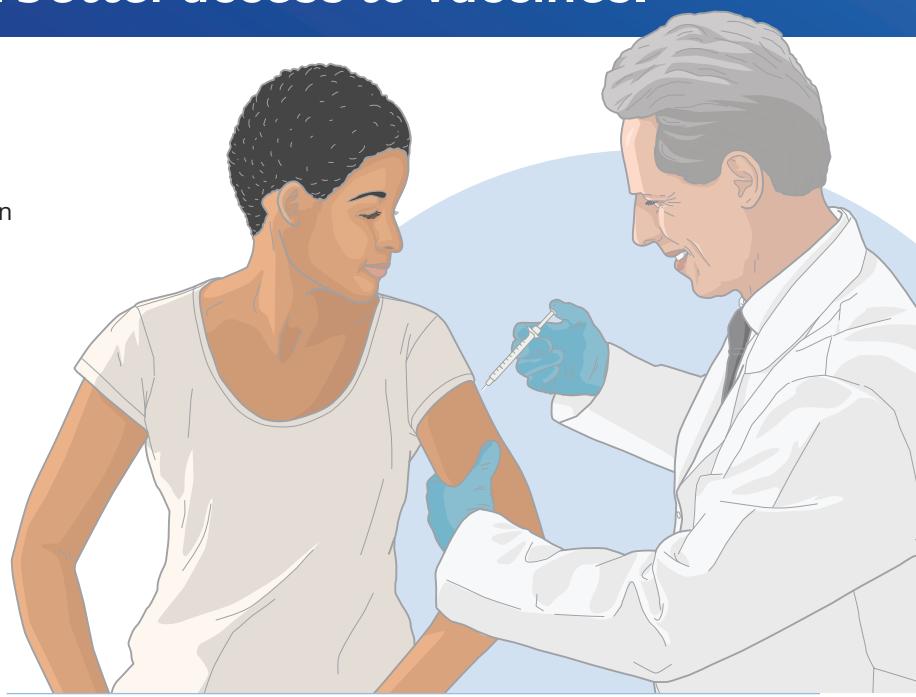
Introducing the American Disease Prevention Coalition. Improving health through better access to vaccines.



Improved access saves lives.

Every year, around 42,000 Americans die of vaccine-preventable diseases. In many states, the only vaccine available in pharmacies is flu, with others requiring a doctor's appointment. All 50 states allow pharmacies to provide vaccinations for flu, pneumococcal, and shingles. However, in many states, other vaccines may only be administered at a doctor's office. Scheduling an appointment, traveling to the provider's location, and long wait times are all potential barriers to getting the prevention they need.

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Stopping disease before it starts.

The American Disease Prevention Coalition (ADPC) is dedicated to improving health throughout American communities by making more vaccines available in local pharmacies.



More timely prevention.

The fact is that convenient access to vaccines can save countless lives every year. More availability means fewer outbreaks and less disease throughout the country. By working with policymakers and spreading the word about the benefits of improved access, we can get more of these crucial vaccines into a place where they can do the most good – their neighborhood pharmacy.



Prevention within closer reach.

We work with states to enable pharmacists to deliver a wider range of essential vaccines to patients. And we inform the public about the benefits of improving access to vaccines.



Pharmacists: a safe and convenient solution.

With rigorous professional training, a thorough understanding of drug interactions, and skill at administering medication, pharmacists play an important role in preventing and treating disease. Roughly nine out of ten Americans live within five miles of a community pharmacy. As more vaccines become available at the local drug store – with more convenient hours than a doctor's office and no appointment required – more people receive protection from disease, safely delivered by their pharmacist.



Who Benefits From More Accessible Vaccines?

- + Patients with poor access to primary care
- + Adults and teenagers who wouldn't otherwise get vaccinated
- + Primary care physicians, who are freed up to focus on patients' other medical issues
- + Minority groups in underserved communities where vaccination is less common
- + Society as a whole, with fewer disease outbreaks