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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.

athenaPractice EHR provides preconfigured immunization schedules which are maintained and periodically updated by athenaPractice (Centricity) EHR. The immunization schedules are generally based upon the CDC *universal vaccine recommendations*. Some GSK vaccines are *risk-recommended vaccines* by the CDC and may not appear in athenaPractice (Centricity) EHR vaccine schedules.

Immunization schedules provided by athenaPractice (Centricity) EHR cannot be manually updated or edited by users. Users need to contact athenaPractice (Centricity) EHR customer support and request that a GSK vaccine be added to the immunization schedule.

### Benefits of updating immunization schedules

Providers decide which vaccines to routinely administer to their patients, so it is important for the immunization schedule within the EHR to match the practice's vaccine protocol. This helps ensure that patients are identified and prescribed appropriate vaccinations, including GSK vaccines with a *risk-based recommendation*.

*This guide provides a high-level overview of how to update the immunization schedule within athenaPractice (Centricity) EHR, to reflect GSK vaccines. This overview is designed to provide guidance for you, your practice's EHR champion, or IT staff.*

*Please note that this guide was created based upon athenaPractice (Centricity) EHR version 18. Screens and features may change as new software versions are released.*

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## Adding a vaccine to the immunization schedule

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The athenaPractice (Centricity) EHR contains preconfigured immunization schedules. These schedules are not able to be added to or edited by practices.

Therefore, it is important to contact athenaPractice (Centricity) EHR customer support to request to have a GSK vaccine added to the immunization schedules. athenaPractice (Centricity) EHR can then work with their development team to have the vaccine added.

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

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