

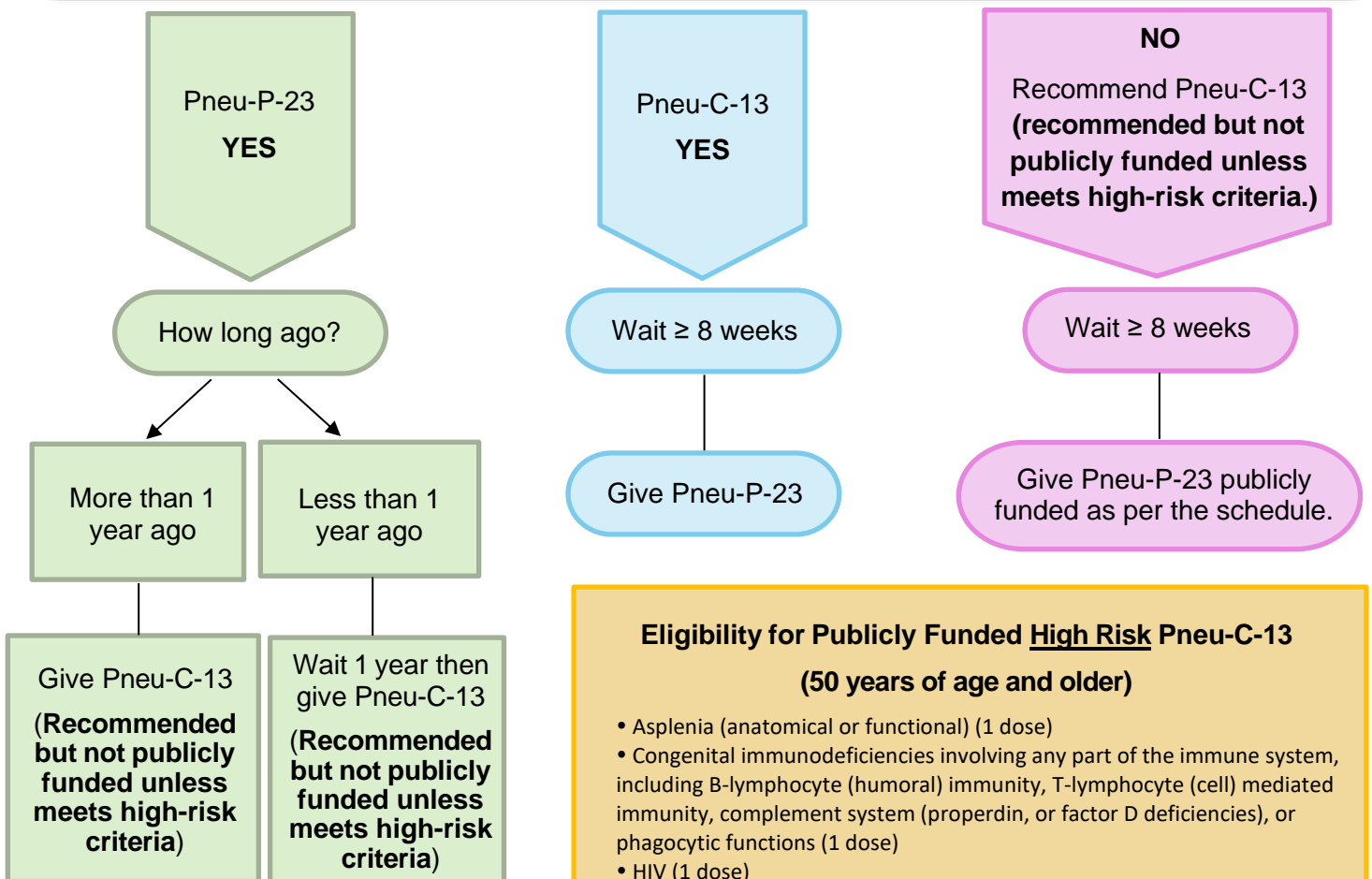
Pneumococcal Immunization Recommendations for Adults over 65

All adults over the age of 65 are eligible for a dose of Pneu-P-23 vaccine (Pneumovax 23) publicly funded.

While the [National Advisory Committee on Immunization](#) (NACI) recommends Pneu-C-13 (Pevnar 13) vaccine for adults with immunocompromising conditions, it is only available publicly funded (free) in Ontario for those 50+ with specific conditions. See the box below for eligibility.

Pneumovax 20 is not currently available publicly funded (free) in Ontario. Clients would have to purchase.

Has the over 65 adult received Pneumococcal vaccine before?



Eligibility for Publicly Funded High Risk Pneu-C-13

(50 years of age and older)

- Asplenia (anatomical or functional) (1 dose)
- Congenital immunodeficiencies involving any part of the immune system, including B-lymphocyte (humoral) immunity, T-lymphocyte (cell) mediated immunity, complement system (properdin, or factor D deficiencies), or phagocytic functions (1 dose)
- HIV (1 dose)
- HSCT recipient (3 doses)
- Immunocompromising therapy including use of long-term corticosteroids, chemotherapy, radiation therapy, post-organ transplant therapy, biologic and certain anti-rheumatic drugs (1 dose)
- Malignant neoplasms including leukemia and lymphoma (1 dose)
- Sickle cell disease or other hemoglobinopathies (1 dose)
- Solid organ or islet cell transplant (candidate or recipient) (1 dose)

Please see the Publicly Funded Immunization Schedule for Ontario, June 2022 for the eligibility for further doses of Pneu-P- 23

Pneu-C-13 = Pevnar®13
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