

Vaccination recommendations for dry dock workers cleaning vessels' sewage tanks

All individuals should verify their vaccination status with their primary care provider prior to scheduling any vaccinations.

Туре	Recommendations
Tetanus	 Previously vaccinated adults should receive either Td* or Tdap** booster every 10 years. Unvaccinated adults should receive a Tdap vaccination, followed by a Td booster at 4 weeks, and a second Td booster 6-12 months later. Depending on wound type and vaccination history, a tetanus vaccination may be needed after an incident resulting in an open wound. *Td = tetanus, diphtheria **Tdap = tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (whooping cough)
Hepatitis A	Unvaccinated adults should receive a two dose series of the Hepatitis A vaccine.
Flu	 All persons, 6 months of age and older, are recommended for an annual flu vaccine, with rare exception (such as allergies to vaccine ingredients, or past adverse reaction to the flu vaccine).
Hepatitis B (HBV)	 Adults who work in medical services or render first aid should receive the Hepatitis B (HBV) vaccine series. Adults who work in areas where they may reasonably anticipate encountering used hypodermic needles* such as cleaning up waste storage areas should receive the Hepatitis B (HBV) vaccine. *Employers should refer to the OSHA Blood Borne Pathogen Standard for recommendations

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Always seek the advice of your physician or other qualified health care provider with any questions you have regarding your medical care.

