



LEARN MORE ABOUT AREXVY

What is **AREXVY**?

AREXVY is a vaccine that helps to protect adults 60 years of age and older from lower lung disease caused by respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).

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WHAT IS RSV?

RSV is a common and highly contagious respiratory virus, causing infections of the lungs and breathing passages.

Who is at risk?

RSV infection can happen at any age and usually causes mild, cold-like symptoms. But it can also cause more serious respiratory illness as well as make some illnesses and conditions worse in older adults.

Why should I be concerned about RSV?

Those who are at higher risk of severe outcomes from RSV include:

- Older adults
- Adults with underlying chronic conditions, including asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), heart disease, diabetes, and advanced liver or kidney diseases
- Adults with weakened immune systems

Older adults are at increased risk of severe outcomes from RSV because our immune systems weaken as we age, making it harder for our body to fight off infections.

Severe outcomes from RSV may include pneumonia, new or worsening of underlying chronic conditions (such as asthma, COPD, congestive heart failure), heart attack and stroke that can lead to hospital stays, or even death.

Speak with your healthcare professional to understand your risk of RSV.

When is RSV season?

RSV infection can happen at any time of the year. It follows a seasonal pattern, and in Canada, a wave of increased activity (called an epidemic) usually occurs from late fall to early spring.

Who is eligible for the vaccine?

Adults 60 years of age and older may be eligible for the AREXVY vaccine.



HOW DOES AREXVY WORK?

AREXVY helps the body make antibodies and white blood cells to significantly reduce the chance of getting an RSV lower lung infection caused by RSV-A and RSV-B subtypes in adults aged 60 years and older.

As AREXVY does not contain the RSV virus, it cannot cause an infection.

As with all vaccines, AREXVY may not fully protect all people who are vaccinated.

How to take AREXVY

- AREXVY is given as a single injection of 0.5 mL into a muscle (usually in the upper arm).
- AREXVY may be given at the same time as an inactivated seasonal influenza vaccine.
- If AREXVY is given at the same time as another vaccine, a different injection site will be used for each vaccine.

Schedule your **AREXVY** vaccination today.

POSSIBLE SIDE EFFECTS

Like all medicines, AREXVY can cause side effects, although not everyone gets them.

The following side effects may occur after receiving AREXVY. Most side effects are mild or moderate and do not last long (usually 1 to 2 days). These are not all the possible side effects you may have when taking AREXVY.

Very common

(these may occur with more than 1 in 10 doses of the vaccine):



Pain at the injection site



Headache



Tiredness



Muscle pain (myalgia)
and joint pain
(arthralgia)

Common

(these may occur with up to 1 in 10 doses of the vaccine):

- Redness and swelling at the injection site, fever, chills
- Runny nose (rhinorrhea)

Uncommon

(these may occur with up to 1 in 100 doses of the vaccine):

- Injection site itching (pruritus), pain, generally feeling unwell
- Swelling of lymph nodes (lymphadenopathy)
- Allergic reaction such as rash
- Feeling sick (nausea), stomach pain

If any of the side effects get serious or become bad enough to interfere with your daily activities, or if you have a troublesome symptom or side effect that is not listed here, tell your healthcare professional.

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IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT AREXVY

Who should not get AREXVY?

Do not use AREXVY if you are allergic to any of the ingredients contained in AREXVY. Signs of an allergic reaction may include itchy skin rash, shortness of breath, and swelling of the face or tongue.

What should I tell my healthcare professional before I'm given AREXVY?

Talk about any health conditions or problems you may have, including if you have:

- A severe infection with a high temperature. In these cases, the vaccination may be postponed until recovery. A minor infection such as a cold, including mild fever, should not be a problem, but tell your healthcare professional first.
- A bleeding problem or bruise easily.
- Fainted with a previous injection or before receiving any needle injection.

What other warnings should I know about?

- Do not drive or use machines if you are feeling unwell.
- AREXVY is not indicated for use in infants, children, and adolescents under 18 years old.
- AREXVY is not recommended for use in pregnancy or in breast-feeding women.



NEED MORE INFORMATION?

- Talk to your healthcare professional.
- Find the full Patient Medication Information at gsk.ca/arexvy/en.



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