Vaccines for International Travel

Most Americans who have kept their immunizations current can travel with little problem. However, there are still risks of acquiring illness when traveling internationally. In general, these risks depend on the area of the world you are visiting, the length of your stay, and what you are doing.

What Vaccines are needed? –

Check with your physician before you travel, or go to CDC’s Traveler's Health Webpage to see what is recommended. Some countries require yellow fever vaccination if the itinerary stops in a country that has an outbreak: even if no one leaves the plane. In addition, it is wise to review immunization records and research immunization information in the early planning stages of your trip. Some vaccinations require multiple doses and take several months to complete.

Where can you get yellow fever vaccination? –

In the United States, only yellow fever vaccination clinics are state-approved. Each state's health department reports approved clinics to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Due to the expense and short shelf life of these vaccines, only a few clinics offer these immunizations. For this reason, only yellow fever providers are maintained on a list. Typically, providers that offer yellow fever will offer other types of vaccines needed for international travel as well; so the list of providers below is a good starting point to finding a provider for necessary vaccines.

Because of a total depletion of YF-Vax, the manufacturer (Sanofi-Pasteur) has worked with CDC and the US FDA to make an alternative yellow fever vaccine, Stamaril, available at select locations until YF-Vax supply returns, which is expected by mid-2019.

[Search For Stamaril Yellow Fever Vaccination Clinics]

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