Consumer Medicine Information

This leaflet provides important information about getting VAXNEUVANCE. You should also speak to your doctor, nurse or pharmacist if you would like further information or if you have any concerns or questions about getting VAXNEUVANCE.

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1. Why am I being given VAXNEUVANCE?

VAXNEUVANCE is a vaccine given to help protect you against pneumococcal disease caused by 15 types of bacteria called Streptococcus pneumoniae or pneumococcus. VAXNEUVANCE can be administered to people 18 years of age and older.

Pneumococcal disease refers to any illness caused by pneumococcus. These bacteria can cause many types of illnesses including lung infection (pneumonia), inflammation of the coverings of the brain and spinal cord (meningitis), and a severe infection in the blood (bacteraemia). These illnesses are more likely to occur in older people and those with certain diseases or behaviors such as cigarette smoking.

VAXNEUVANCE may not protect against diseases caused by types of pneumococcus that are not covered by the vaccine.