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VACCINE POINTS

“Vaccine Points” is a bi-monthly communication distributed by the Hawaii Department of Health to all participating Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers.

Test your vaccine knowledge.

Question:

True or False: The ACIP recommends that all travelers who have received a primary dose of yellow fever vaccine should receive a booster dose every 10 years.

Answer: False.

Yellow fever vaccine is recommended for persons aged ≥ 9 months who are traveling to or living in areas with risk for yellow fever transmission. A single primary dose of yellow fever vaccine provides long-lasting protection and is adequate for most travelers. Additional doses of yellow fever vaccine are recommended for certain travelers and at-risk laboratory personnel.*

Source: MMWR, Yellow Fever Vaccine Booster Doses: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on

Immunization Practices, June 19, 2015, pages 647-650.

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/wk/mm6423.pdf>

*Recommendations for use of yellow fever vaccine booster doses

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6423a5.htm#Box>

