

Hajj and Umrah vaccinations

Vaccination	Target group	Timing	Notes
Meningococcal (ACWY)	All pilgrims and children over two, as well as pregnant women	At least 10 days before Hajj	Compulsory, for three-year immunity
Vaccination against yellow fever	Pilgrims hailing from places affected by the disease, such as African semi-desert regions, and some South-American countries.	At least 10 days before Hajj	Up to ten-year immunity.
Vaccination against seasonal influenza	All pilgrims, especially the elders, those suffering from chronic diseases, patients with immunodeficiency (natural and acquired alike), as well as patients with metabolic diseases, obese persons, and pregnant women (beginning with the fourth month).	Six weeks before Hajj	
Vaccination against pneumonia	Patients with such diseases as sickle cell anaemia, renal failure, immunodeficiency and splenectomy. It could be given also to the elders and those suffering from chronic diseases in the liver, heart and lungs.		
Polio vaccination	Pilgrims of all age groups hailing from regions stricken by polio.	At least 10 days before Hajj	Another dose is given to the pilgrim when arriving to the Kingdom.