

Patient Protocol for
Japanese Encephalitis Vaccine

To our patients who may need Japanese encephalitis vaccine protection:

Only a few of our patients who travel need to be immunized against Japanese encephalitis. You only need the vaccine if you will be traveling to very specific areas for a specifically long period of time. We need to special-order the vaccine for each patient, and it needs to be specially handled with the “cold chain” carefully maintained. Furthermore, the vaccine manufacturer requires that for each purchase, a form be completed and signed by a physician.

Because of these important details, we at Bayside have a procedure to ensure that we care for our patients who might need this vaccine very specifically and personally. Here below is our protocol:

Our first step is to have you come into our office and consult with us. Our Bayside travel clinician will determine with you if the vaccine is needed. If it is needed, we will fill out the form with you for the manufacturer, and we will sign and send it. We will then make your appointments to administer the vaccine. For patients one through 16 years old, there are three shots necessary; for those 17 and older, only two are needed. This is what the schedule will look like:

For patients 1 through 16 years old:

- First appointment – consult, fill out forms, order vaccine – *day 0*
- Second appointment – administer first dose of vaccine – *day 5*
- Third appointment – administer second dose of the vaccine – *day 12*
- Fourth appointment – administer third dose of the vaccine – *day 35*

For patients 17 years and older:

- First appointment – consult, fill out forms, order vaccine – *day 0*
- Second appointment – administer first dose of vaccine – *day 5*
- Third appointment – administer second dose of the vaccine – *day 35*

The manufacturer will send us the vaccine to arrive in 3-5 days. When it arrives we will label it with your name and store it in our refrigerator. We will ensure that the cold chain is preserved.

Payments: At the time of the first visit, we will collect payment (by credit card) for the first visit, and for the cost of the vaccine and vaccine administrations. There will be no further charges – that is, you will have no further payments after the first visit. You will receive an itemized receipt for your payment.

Please feel free to inquire with any further questions you might have about this vaccine.