



Arkansas Department of Health

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Human Rabies Immune Globulin and Human Rabies Vaccine Manufacturer and Distributor Contact Information

The Department of Health does not supply or maintain a supply of rabies vaccine as was once done in the past. The health department is always available to help with a risk assessment, which we recommend prior to initiating Rabies Post-Exposure Prophylaxis. Call the State Public Health Veterinarian, Zoonotic Disease Section (501) 280-4136 or after hours (800) 633-1735.

Hospitals and pharmacists may order human rabies biologicals from a distributor or vendor of their choice. These companies require accounts to be established prior to any purchase.

Typically, rabies biologicals can be shipped “next day” during the work week. Additional costs may be incurred for emergency shipments on weekends and holidays.

Manufacturers and their Distributors (alphabetically)

1. **Grifols Bioscience** – HyperRAB™ S/D (Human Rabies Immune Globulin – HRIG); 2 and 10 ml vials.

This product is used for patients who require the complete POST-exposure rabies vaccination series. Human rabies vaccine must be obtained from another source.

- Grifols Technical Support (800) 243-4153
- Grifols Hypermunes™ Distributors:
 - ASD Healthcare, Frisco, TX: (800) 746-6273
 - BDI Pharma Inc., Columbia, SC: (800) 948-9834
 - Cardinal Health Specialty Pharmacy Division (SPD), Lavergne, TN: (866) 476-1340
 - FFF Enterprises, Temecula, CA: (800) 843-7477
 - McKesson Plasma & Biologics, Lavergne, TN: (877) 625-2566
 - Novis Pharmaceuticals, Miami, FL: (800) 727-6711

If the provider/hospital does not already have an account with a Grifols distributor, s/he will have to establish one. Health care providers are financially responsible for orders placed with distributors.

2. **Novartis- RabAvert™** vaccine (Purified Chick Embryo Cell Culture – PCEC) - can be used for PRE and POST exposure human rabies vaccinations); 1 cc vials (one dose per vial).

Human rabies immune globulin must be obtained from another source, when patients need the complete postexposure rabies vaccination series.



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- ASD Healthcare: (800) 746-6273
- Cardinal Health: (800) 964-5227
- FFF Enterprises: (800) 843-7477
- McKesson Medical Surgical: (800) 950-9229
- Novartis Vaccines: (800) 244-7668

If the hospital does not already have an account with Novartis or with one of their distributors, they will have to establish one. Health care providers are financially responsible for orders placed with Novartis or their distributors.

RabAvert Patient Assistance Program (post exposure use only): (800) 589-0837. Complete instructions are located at:

<https://www.rxhope.com/PAP/info/PAPList.aspx?programid=1477&fieldType=programid>

An application may be downloaded from: <https://www.rxhope.com/PAP/pdf/chiron.pdf> The completed application is faxed to the number at the top of the form. Providers/Hospitals should call RabAvert Patient Assistance Program (PAP) directly at (800) 589-0837 to let them know they have faxed in an application. A PAP representative will approve or deny the application within 24 hours. Product will be shipped to the ordering hospital overnight if the application is approved.

To qualify, patients:

- must be a United States citizen,
- have no medical insurance, and
- demonstrate financial need, which is determined by considering income, current medical expenses, and other factors. There is not a way to determine in advance whether or not the patient will qualify.

Note: Novartis does not produce HRIG, so the hospital will need to obtain the HRIG from the Sanofi Pasteur Patient Assistance Program (see below).

3. Sanofi Pasteur –

- **Imogam™ Rabies – HT** (Human Rabies Immune Globulin - HRIG); 2 and 10 ml vials. This product is used for patients who require the complete POST-exposure rabies vaccination series.
- **Imovax™ Rabies** vaccine (Human Diploid Cell Vaccine – HDCV) (can be used for PRE and POST exposure human rabies vaccinations); 1 cc vials (one dose per vial)

(800) VACCINE = (800/ 822-2463) or, for United States health care professionals only, go to **VaccineShoppe.com** (<https://www.vaccineshoppe.com/index.cfm?fa=anon.piexpress>).



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If the hospital/provider does not already have an account with Sanofi Pasteur, they will have to establish one. Health care providers are financially responsible for orders placed with Sanofi Pasteur.

Sanofi Pasteur Patient Connection (Patient Assistance Program) (postexposure use only):

The hospital/provider should call the automated phone system (866) 801-5655 to receive faxed instructions and a two-page application for rabies biologicals. A customer service representative can also be accessed via the “option menu” if the medical provider/hospital has additional questions.

To qualify, patients:

- must be a US citizen or legal resident of the United States,
- have a Social Security number,
- be under the care of a licensed healthcare provider authorized to prescribe, dispense, and administer medicine in the U.S.
- cannot be enrolled in, or qualify for, any form of medication reimbursement program or private insurance plan, and
- must have income at or below the 250% federal poverty level.

Patient financial documentation is required for eligibility. Copies of any of the following currently suffice:

- W-2 or most recent federal income tax return
- Most recent pay stub plus most recent federal income tax return
- Most recent Social Security/ Disability monthly check, award letter, benefit statement or 1099
- Unemployment Determination letter
- Transcript of tax filing record received through submission of QRS 4506-T to the IRS

The provider/hospital can submit the completed forms via FAX, online, or U.S. mail per the instructions provided on the form.

Both HRIG and rabies vaccine can be requested using the same form. The provider/hospital will not need to establish an account with Sanofi Pasteur to apply for this Program. The hospital/provider will incur no costs from Sanofi Pasteur.

Sanofi Pasteur will generally ship the order to the hospital within 24 hours of receipt of the application.