# Pneumonia

#### What is it?

- <u>Pneumonia</u>- Infection of the lungs (acute)
- Bacteria can infect the blood-pneumococcal bacteria
- Meningitis- can infect the covering of the brain
- **<u>PCV Vaccine</u>** Given in a series with 4 shots-

#### Who should get the pneumococcal vaccine?

- Age 65 and older a 1 time dose
  - Respiratory disease, asthma, COPD, bronchitis
  - Diabetes
  - **HIV**
  - All children under 2
  - $\circ$  Any child at high risk for pneumonia complications
  - $\circ$  Not recommended for adults except the 1 time dose

### What are the Symptoms?

 <u>Symptoms</u>- Cough, chest pain, chills, shortness of breath, fever, yellow, green or bloody mucus, fatigue, headache or muscle aches, lips/nails blue, confusion

## What do I need to do?

- See your Health Care Provider- immediately
- Increase Fluids See FFF Fluids
- Physical Exam- listen to lungs, temperature, examine nose and throat
- <u>Tests</u>- blood tests, oxygen level, chest X-ray, mucus sampling or bronchoscopy
- Breathing Exercises Needed- deep breathing, controlled cough, rest, fluids



