

# SHINGLES VACCINE

## (Zostavax®)

Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Fairfield County now offers the Zostavax® vaccine (*shingles vaccine*) as a one-time, live vaccine for the prevention of shingles and post-herpetic neuralgia (*post-shingles pain*). Zostavax® is FDA-approved for individuals who are 60 years and older.



Shingles (herpes zoster) is an outbreak of rash or blisters on the skin that is brought on by the virus that causes chickenpox. Only persons who have had chicken pox are at risk for shingles.

The cost of the Zostavax® vaccine is \$200 (*payable by cash or check*).

*NOTE: The cost of this vaccine is reimbursed through some private insurance and Medicare Part D program. Beneficiaries should contact their plans for more information about reimbursement.)*

The Zostavax® vaccine will be administered by appointment only. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call Visiting Nurse & Hospice of Fairfield County at 203-762-8958.

Additional information about shingles and the shingles vaccine is available online at [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/shingles/vac-faqs.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vpd-vac/shingles/vac-faqs.htm)