Administering a vaccine from a vial

Always refer to package inserts for detailed instructions when preparing and administering vaccines. In general, follow the steps below:

1. Remove cap
2. Agitate
3. Cleanse stopper with alcohol pad and let dry
4. Assemble needle and syringe, then uncap needle
5. Insert needle straight into center
6. Invert vial and pull needle back so tip is in the liquid
7. Pull back on plunger and draw specified dose
8. Withdraw needle
9. Tap syringe then push air out
10. Clean skin with alcohol swab
11. Inject patient with vaccine
12. Dispose of device and components

Remember: Follow your institution’s policies/procedures for aseptic technique and skin preparation and for safe disposal of all medical waste. Please consult Instructions for Use on the package or package insert for important safety information. This guide is not intended as a replacement for the detailed information contained in the IFU.