

Small Steps Can Save Small Lives



This Vaccine	Protects against...
DTaP	3 serious diseases: diphtheria, tetanus (lock jaw) and pertussis (whooping cough)
Polio (IPV)	Virus that can paralyze legs and breathing muscles
MMR	3 dangerous diseases: measles, mumps and rubella (German measles)
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b (Hib)	Illness, which can cause pneumonia, infection of the brain, and swelling that blocks the airway
Hepatitis B	Hepatitis B disease can cause severe liver damage, liver cancer and death
Varicella	Chickenpox and its serious complications
Pneumococcal Conjugate	Serious infections of the lungs, blood and brain
Influenza	Illness of lungs, nose and throat. Can cause fever, chills, aches and even death. This vaccine needs to be given every year
Hepatitis A	Hepatitis A disease can cause yellow skin or eyes, severe stomach pain and diarrhea
Rotavirus	Virus causes high fever, diarrhea and vomiting

More information to help you understand immunizations.

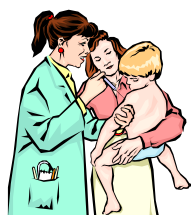


Keep a copy of your child's immunization record.



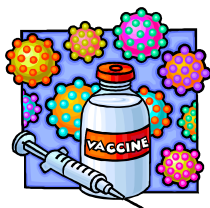
- ❖ Bring it with you to **all** your medical appointments.
- ❖ It will keep your child's shots on schedule.
- ❖ When you visit your healthcare provider or if you change health care providers, show them the record so that unneeded shots aren't given.
- ❖ Have the health care provider write the dates for all shots given on your child's record.

Kids can be given their shots even if they have a cold, slight fever, or are taking antibiotics.



- ❖ The shot will still be effective.
- ❖ It will not make your child's illness worse.
- ❖ Getting shots on time is the best way to protect against disease.

It is OK to receive several vaccines on the same day.



- ❖ They will not be less effective.
- ❖ There will not be more side effects.
- ❖ Our bodies are smart. They can respond to hundreds of germs and other substances every day.

Shots are very safe!



- ❖ Reactions that may occur are usually mild, like a sore arm or slight fever.
- ❖ Serious reactions happen very rarely.
- ❖ Getting the diseases is much more dangerous than getting the shots.