

COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION

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August National Immunization Awareness Month

Vaccines (also called shots or immunizations) help protect children from serious diseases. Getting your child vaccinated also protects other people in your community who may not be able to get vaccines.

Vaccines work best when children get them at certain ages. Making sure your child gets vaccinated on schedule helps keep them healthy.

It's important for your child to get all recommended vaccines.

Getting all recommended vaccines will help protect your child from diseases that can be dangerous or even deadly, including:

- Measles
- Whooping cough (pertussis)
- Chickenpox
- Hepatitis A and B

Many vaccines require more than 1 dose. For the best protection, your child needs to get every recommended dose of each vaccine. If your child misses a dose, they may not be protected.

It's important for every child to get vaccinated.

Thanks to vaccines, many serious childhood diseases that used to be common are now rare. But the bacteria and viruses (germs) that cause these diseases are still around.

Each child who isn't vaccinated can get sick themselves — or spread those germs to other people.

Vaccine schedule attached: [Your child needs vaccines as they grow! | Vaccines & Immunizations | CDC](#)

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