

14 Serious Diseases That Vaccines Protect Against

Bacterial Meningitis
Diphtheria
Hepatitis A
Hepatitis B
Influenza
Measles
Mumps
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)
Pneumococcal disease
Polio
Rubella (German Measles)
Tetanus (Lockjaw)
Rotavirus
Varicella (Chickenpox)



Child with Polio



Frequently Asked Questions

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Why should young children receive vaccines?

Young children are more likely to have serious health problems or die from illnesses that can be stopped by vaccines. Getting your child vaccinated is one of the most important things you can do for your child's health. Failure to get vaccines may mean putting your child at risk of catching deadly diseases.



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Are vaccines safe?

Vaccines are very safe and very effective. Like any other medicine, they can sometimes cause a small response like a sore arm or a slight fever. Serious results are very rare. The main thing to remember is that the disease is *much* more unsafe than the vaccine.

What would happen if my child didn't get these shots?

One of two things could happen:

1. If your child was never exposed to a disease, nothing would happen. The chance of your child never being around one of these dangerous diseases is very rare and not likely.
2. Your child is most likely to get the disease if they never get the vaccine. Your child could get ill and have to stay inside for a few days or could get very sick and have to go to the hospital. At the very worst, your child could die.

Also, your child could spread the disease to other children and adults who are not immune. Some people, such as those being treated for cancer, have little or no way to fight off diseases.



Do vaccines always work?

Vaccines work almost all of the time. Most infant vaccines protect 90%-99% of the children who get them. Sometimes a child will not respond to certain vaccines. A child who does not respond to vaccines has to depend on the people around them to get vaccines so the disease does not spread. Children who haven't received their vaccine could get the disease and infect your child.



Where can I find more facts?

Talk with your health care provider. You can also go to the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases Website at www.cdc.gov/vaccines.

Or contact the Utah County Health Department at (801)851-7025.

For more information please visit:
Immun-wize.org

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