

Real Diseases. Real Risks. Real Protection.

Vaccines protect what matters most – your child’s health.

Doctors recommend vaccines because they protect your child from serious, preventable diseases. Serious side effects from vaccines are extremely rare. Millions of children are safely vaccinated each year.



Don't let diseases of the past become part of your child's future.

RSV

A common virus that can cause severe breathing problems. RSV is the number one reason infants end up in the hospital. **(Protected by: RSV immunization)**

Whooping Cough (Pertussis)

A serious cough that can make it hard for babies to breathe. 1 in 3 children who get it need hospital care. **(Protected by: DTaP and Tdap vaccines)**

Hib (Haemophilus influenzae type b)

A bacterial infection that can cause brain damage, deafness and death – especially in infants. **(Protected by: Hib vaccine)**

HPV (Human papilloma virus)

A virus that causes cervical, throat and other cancers. The vaccine protects both boys and girls. **(Protected by: HPV vaccine)**

Measles

One of the most contagious diseases on Earth. It can cause lung infections, brain swelling and death. **(Protected by: MMR vaccine).**

Pneumococcal (PCV)

A bacteria that can cause ear infections and brain, lung and blood infections. **(Protected by: PCV vaccine).**

Polio

A highly infectious disease that can cause lifelong paralysis or even death. **(Protected by: Polio/IPV vaccine).**

Vaccines like these and others your children need are available at their doctor's office and local community health centers.

Your child's doctor shares your goal – a healthy future for your family. Have questions? Get real answers. Talk to your child's doctor today. [VaccinesForKids.nc.gov](https://www.vaccinesforkids.nc.gov).

