



Immunize Your Preteens and Teens Today

Vaccine Recommendations for 11 to 18 year olds:

- Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis)**
This shot is recommended for preteens and teens and protects against three dangerous diseases, including whooping cough.

- HPV (human papillomavirus)**
The 2 or 3 shot series is recommended for boys and girls and protects against some cancers, including cervical cancer and genital warts.

- Meningococcal (MenACWY)**
This shot protects against infections that can cause brain damage, arm and leg amputations, kidney damage, and death. Preteens need one shot now and a booster at age 16.

- Flu**
Flu is much more serious than the common cold. Even healthy young people can get the flu. Everyone needs a flu vaccine (shot) every year!

- Chickenpox**
Chickenpox is more than just an itchy rash. It can cause pneumonia or serious infections. Teens need two shots, but many didn't get their second shot.

Is your teen up-to-date on their hepatitis B, MMR (measles, mumps and rubella) and polio vaccinations?

The hepatitis B series, two MMR vaccinations and polio series are required for entrance into Georgia public schools and all University System of Georgia Colleges. Many other colleges may require certain vaccines as well.

Want to know more? Visit <http://dph.georgia.gov/immunization-section> and <http://cdc.gov/vaccines>