



# vaccine safety resources



## **American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)**

*aap.org/immunization*

The AAP is an organization of 60,000 primary care physicians, pediatric medical subspecialists and pediatric surgical subspecialists dedicated to the health, safety and well being of infants, children, adolescents and young adults.

### **The AAP web site includes information in both English and Spanish on:**

- Immunization schedules
- Audio clips of vaccine experts
- FAQs on diseases and vaccines
- Access to vaccine experts

## **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**

*cdc.gov/vaccines*

The CDC is a government resource for vaccine safety.

### **The CDC web site includes:**

- ACIP recommendations
- National Health surveys
- Vaccine Information Statements
- Vaccine Safety Datalink
- Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System
- Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment
- Interactive schedulers
- Web pages on safety

## **Immunization Action Coalition (IAC)**

*immunize.org*

The IAC works to increase immunization rates and prevent disease by creating and distributing educational materials for health professionals and the public that enhance the delivery of safe and effective immunization services.

### **IAC's web site includes:**

- Immunization handouts for patients and staff
- Newsletters about vaccinating children and adults
- Facts on diseases and vaccines
- Vaccine Information Statements and translations
- Ask the Experts Q&As for vaccinators
- Immunization record cards

## **Every Child By Two (ECBT)**

*vaccinateyourbaby.org • ecbt.org*

Every Child By Two, founded by Rosalynn Carter and Betty Bumpers, is an organization devoted to raising awareness of the critical need for timely immunizations. ECBT's Vaccinate Your Baby web site is a one-stop shop for families with questions about vaccines.

### **The Vaccinate Your Baby web site includes:**

- Video FAQs from top experts
- Vaccine safety studies
- Links to Facebook page and vaccine blog
- Information on vaccine development, ingredients and reasons for recommended schedules

## Vaccine Education Center

*vaccine.chop.edu*

The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia's Vaccine Education Center provides complete and up-to-date information about vaccines to parents and health care professionals.

### The Vaccine Education Center's web site includes:

- Factsheets on common questions such as thimerosal, aluminum and the number of vaccines recommended on the schedule
- Videos and booklets on vaccine safety
- Information regarding preventable diseases and vaccines
- Parents PACK, which offers a web site and monthly e-mail newsletter

## National Network for Immunization Information (NNii)

*immunizationinfo.org*

NNii is a service provided by Immunizations for Public Health, a Texas-based nonprofit corporation dedicated to making immunization information available to those who need it.

### NNii's web site includes:

- Factsheets on each vaccine
- Web pages on safety issues, such as ingredients, exposure parties and the recommended schedule
- Vaccines recommended for pregnant women
- FAQs

## Institute for Vaccine Safety

*vaccinesafety.edu*

The Institute for Vaccine Safety provides an independent assessment of vaccines and vaccine safety.

### The Institute's web site includes:

- Independent evaluations of vaccine safety
- All vaccine components, including Thimerosal, for approved vaccines
- Vaccine exemption laws and links to state legislation
- Vaccine schedules, recommendations, package inserts and manufacturers

## Parents of Kids with Infectious Diseases (PKIDs)

*pkids.org*

PKIDs' mission is to educate the public about infectious diseases, the methods of prevention and transmission, the latest advances in medicine, and the elimination of social stigma borne by the infected.

### PKIDs' web site includes:

- How vaccines and the immune system work
- What the world would look like without vaccines
- Infectious Disease Workshop materials
- Stories of children who have had vaccine-preventable diseases
- Q&As about vaccine safety

## Books with Helpful Vaccine Information

### ***100 Questions & Answers About Childhood Immunizations***

By Thomas Belhorn, MD, PhD

### ***Autism's False Prophets: Bad Science, Risky Medicine, and the Search for a Cure***

By Paul A. Offit, MD

### ***Baby 411: Clear Answers and Smart Advice For Your Baby's First Year***

By Ari Brown, MD and Denise Fields

### ***Caring For Your Baby and Young Child: Birth to Age 5***

By Steven P. Shelov, MD, MS, FAAP  
and Tanya Remer Altmann, MD, FAAP

### ***The Complete Idiot's Guide to Vaccinations***

By Michael Joseph Smith, MD, MSCE  
and Laurie Bouck

### ***Deadly Choices: How the Anti-vaccine Movement Threatens Us All***

By Paul A. Offit, MD (January 2011)

### ***Do Vaccines Cause That?! A Guide for Evaluating Vaccine Safety Concerns***

By Martin G. Myers, MD  
and Diego Pineda

### ***Dr. Spock's Baby and Child Care***

By Benjamin Spock  
and Robert Needlman

### ***Expecting 411: Clear Answers & Smart Advice for Your Pregnancy***

By Michele Hakakha, MD and Ari Brown, MD

### ***Gentle Baby Care***

By Elizabeth Pantley and Harvey Karp

### ***The Mother of All Parenting Books***

By Ann Douglas

### ***The Panic Virus: A True Story of Medicine, Science and Fear***

By Seth Mnookin

### ***Taking Care of Your Child: A Parent's Illustrated Guide to Complete Medical Care***

By Robert H. Pantell, James F. Fries  
and Donald M. Vickery

### ***Vaccines and Your Child: Separating Fact From Fiction***

By Paul A. Offit, MD and Charlotte Moser

### ***What to Expect the First Year***

By Heidi Murkoff

### ***What to Expect Guide to Immunizations***

By Heidi Murkoff and Sharon Mazel

### ***Your Baby's First Year***

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