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Infectious Disease Immunization Timeline

BABIES AND YOUNG CHILDREN (AGES 2 MONTHS–6 YEARS)

Immunization is the best protection against many infectious illnesses. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other leading medical societies recommend the following immunizations for babies and young children ages 2 months – 6 years. Learn more about recommended childhood immunizations here.

		<1 YEAR	1-3 YEARS OLD	4-6 YEARS OLD
Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis (DTaP)	To protect against pertussis, children younger than age 7 receive the DTaP vaccines. This is a five-dose combination vaccine series with recommended administration at:	▸ 2 months ▸ 4 months ▸ 6 months	▸ Anytime 15 through 18 months	▸ Anytime 4 through 6 years
Pneumococcal Disease	For all children younger than age 5, the recommended pneumococcal vaccine series is four doses administered at:	▸ 2 months ▸ 4 months ▸ 6 months	▸ Anytime 12 through 15 months	
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	To protect against RSV, two preventive antibodies, nirsevimab or clesrovimab, are recommended if: • The mother did not receive the RSV vaccine during pregnancy • The mother's RSV vaccination status is unknown • Their mother received the RSV vaccine less than 14 days prior to birth.	▸ Infants younger than 8 months who are born during or who will experience their first RSV season (October–March)		
	Infants and young children who are at increased risk for severe RSV, include: • Children who were born prematurely and have chronic lung disease • Children who are severely immunocompromised • Children with cystic fibrosis who have severe disease • American Indian and Alaska Native children	▸ Nirsevimab is also available for young children 8–19 months who are at increased risk for severe illness from RSV and are entering their second RSV season.		
Influenza (Flu)	Everyone ages 6 months and older should get a flu vaccine every year, starting in the fall. Some children ages 6 months – 8 years may need two doses for best protection.	▸ 1-2 doses of the flu vaccine, annually.		
COVID-19	2026-2027 COVID-19 vaccines are recommended for individuals 6 months and older based on age and health status. CDC recommends vaccination for those 6 months-17 years who are immunocompromised, or through shared clinical decision-making. Leading medical societies recommend vaccination for: • All young children 6-23 months • Children 2-18 years in certain risk groups or if desired Different COVID-19 vaccines are available for different age groups, and the number of doses recommended may vary based on age, health and vaccination history. Talk to your healthcare provider about what's right for your child.			

https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/imz-schedules/child-adolescent-age.html#table-1
https://downloads.aap.org/AAP/PDF/AAP-Immunization-Schedule.pdf
https://www.aafp.org/clinical-insights/immunizations-and-vaccines/immunizations-schedules-resources/childhood-vaccine-schedules

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