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Dear Parents, We cordially welcome you to a **Disease Awareness Program** meant to educate you about Vaccine preventable diseases.

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You think all of your child's vaccines are completed by 2 years of age?¹

Did you know, that due to declining immunity in children above 2 years, their risk of contracting infectious diseases can increase?²

Fortunately, right vaccination reduces disease, disability, and death from a variety of infectious diseases like **Diphtheria**, **Whooping cough**, **Tetanus**, **Polio**, **Influenza and Meningitis**.¹





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A guide to some of the important vaccinations for your child above 2 years of age



Diseases they protect against

Diphtheria- An infection that affects the nose and throat¹ Pertussis (Whooping cough)- A respiratory disease related to violent coughing and a characteristic "whoop" noise.²

Tetanus (Lockjaw)- Painful disease that causes a person's neck and jaw muscles to lock, making it hard to open the mouth or swallow.³

Recommended age

School-entry age⁴

Why vaccine is necessary?

DTP and IPV vaccines maintain high immunity from early childhood up until the adolescent booster.5

What could happen if no vaccine is given?

These diseases can cause serious breathing difficulties, heart problems, muscle spasms that can cause bone fractures of the spine and even death.⁶



Recommended age

School-entry age⁴

What could happen if no vaccine is given?

Inability to walk, paralysis⁷



Diseases they protect against

Influenza

Recommended age

To be given every year, in the pre-monsoon period, till 5 years of age⁴

Why vaccine is necessary?

With flu strains changing every year, yearly vaccination is important.^{8,9}

What could happen if no vaccine is given?

Can cause secondary bacterial infections, leading to higher antibiotic use in children.¹⁰



Meningococcal vaccines **Diseases they** protect against

Meningococcal meningitis- an infection tthat affects the brain¹¹

Recommended age

Recommended at 9 and 12 months.⁴ If missed single dose is recommended post 2 years.⁴

What could happen if no vaccine is given?

11%-19% survivors suffer from permanent disabilities such as hearing loss, brain injury, loss of limb.¹²

It could claim a life within 24 hours.¹³

Note : This is not a complete list of vaccines for children more than 2 years of age. It may include other vaccines like MMR -3, HPV, PPSV23 etc based on HCP recommendation. Please talk to your doctor for more details.

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Diseases they protect against

Diphtheria Pertussis (Whooping cough) Tetanus (Lockjaw)

Recommended age

Between 10-12 years⁴

Why vaccine is necessary?

Protects your preteen or teen from same diseases as DTP.¹⁴