



Orchard Pediatrics, PC

– Newborn through Adolescent Care –

VACCINES FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS AGES 6-18

AGES 6+ years

Varivax (Chicken Pox – 2nd dose) is required unless your child has already had chicken pox disease or already had both doses of Varivax.

Hepatitis A vaccine prevents a liver infection acquired from eating contaminated food. It is currently on the routine vaccination schedule for 1-2 year olds, but may not have been given when your child was that age. It is especially important if you will be traveling.

Influenza vaccine is given every year to prevent “the flu”, a respiratory illness that causes a high fever, congestion and cough

AGES 11+ years

Menactra (Meningococcal meningitis) preteens should be routinely immunized at 11 through 12 years of age and given a booster at 16 years of age. Meningococcal bacteria can cause severe disease including infections of the lining of the brain, spinal cord and blood stream infections and can result in permanent disabilities and even death.

Tdap Vaccine can protect adolescents from tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis. One dose is given at 11 or 12 years of age.

Gardasil is routinely given to males and females at 11 years of age. This vaccine prevents infection with Human Papillomavirus (HPV) types that are associated with multiple cancers in both males and females.

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It is the policy of Orchard Pediatrics that immunizations, as recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Center for Disease Control, are necessary for the health of your child. We are dedicated to preventative health of the children in our practice.