



Orchard Pediatrics, P.C.

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. It is given in autumn, and is recommended for individuals who have or live with people with underlying health problems. It is also recommended for all children under the age of 5 and their household members. It is available as an injection or as a nasal mist.

AGES 11+ years

Menactra (Meningococcal meningitis) is required.

Tdap (Tetanus/Diphtheria/Pertussis booster) is required.

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Gardasil is recommended for this age group. This three part vaccine series helps prevent genital warts, cervical cancer in females and head and neck cancer in males.

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It is the policy of Orchard Pediatrics that standard 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.