



Medical Center Pediatrics Vaccine Policy

Our approach

Vaccines are effective in preventing serious illness and saving lives. Vaccines are safe. We follow the AAP recommended vaccine schedule. Based on available literature, evidence, and current studies, vaccines do not cause autism or other developmental disabilities. Vaccinating patients is one of the most important health promoting interventions we provide. The recommended vaccines and schedule are based on years of scientific study and data from millions of patients.

Our requirements

To protect our patients through vaccination, we require all patients to follow the AAP recommended vaccine schedule. This includes all vaccines recommended by the AAP for the patient's age.

If a patient is behind on vaccines at the time of transfer to our practice, we will begin a catch up schedule to ensure the patient is brought up to date with the vaccines recommended for the patient's age.

If you decline vaccines

Families who decline vaccination will be asked to establish care with another healthcare provider. Choosing not to vaccinate puts the patient at unnecessary risk for serious illness, disability, and even death. We respect that families make medical decisions. However, our practice follows evidence based medicine and requires patients to follow the AAP recommended vaccine schedule to remain in our practice. This helps us provide the safest environment possible for all patients and families we serve.

Questions

Please talk with your healthcare provider if you have questions or concerns about vaccines. You can request a copy of the AAP recommended vaccine schedule at any time.

Signatures *Please complete only one section below.*

A) Child patient (parent or guardian signs)

Patient name: _____

Signature of parent or guardian: _____ Date: _____

B) Adult patient (patient signs)

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____