If I have questions who can I call?

- You can call any public health unit and ask to speak to a nurse about immunizations. Public health nurses provide immunization advice and services
- Your family doctor, nurse practitioner, pharmacist or a nurse at HealthLink BC can also answer your questions about immunization

Will you or your family be travelling to your home country again?

- Contact a travel clinic to get advice on any other immunizations your family may need
- For a list of travel clinics in BC visit: www.immunizebc.ca/get-vaccinated/ travel-vaccinations



FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: ImmunizeBC.ca

Call 811

HealthLink BC offers a free 24-hour health service. A translator can help you if needed.

First Nations Health: www.fnha.ca Fraser Health: www.fraserhealth.ca Island Health: www.viha.ca Interior Health: www.interiorhealth.ca Northern Health: www.northernhealth.ca Vancouver Coastal Health: www.vch.ca

My Notes:

My family doctor and phone #:

My public health unit and phone #:

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Are Your Child's Immunizations Up to Date?

Read this brochure to learn about:

- Your child's immunization record
- Immunizations your child may need
- Where to get immunized
- Who to call for questions



Take your child's immunization record to a public health unit to be checked.

Why does my child's record need to be checked?

- To see what immunizations your child has received
- Routine childhood immunizations may be different in your home country or province
- Any missing routine immunizations will be recommended for your child and given for free
- After the immunization record has been checked, the information is entered into your child's electronic health record. You can request a copy of your child's record at any time

What if I don't have an immunization record for my child?

- Try to get your child's record sent to you from your home country or province
- A child without a record, or proof of having had a disease, is considered unimmunized and unprotected
- Your child will be offered missing immunizations to ensure best protection

Keep your child's record in a safe place

- Always have a current immunization record for your child
- Take your child's immunization record with you to each visit so that your health care provider can fill it out
- You may be asked to provide your child's record when you register your child for daycare, school, summer camps and college or university

Keep your child safe by getting all immunizations on time.

In British Columbia free routine immunizations protect children against many diseases:

- ✓ Diphtheria
- ✓ Haemophilus influenzae type B (Hib)
- ✓ Hepatitis B
- ✓ Human papillomavirus (HPV)
- ✓ Influenza (flu)
- ✓ Meningococcal disease
- Pneumococcal disease
- ✓ Measles
- ✓ Mumps
- Pertussis (whooping cough)
- 🖌 Polio
- Rotavirus
- Rubella (German measles)
- ✓ Tetanus
- Varicella (chickenpox)

What happens if my child does not get all the recommended immunizations?

- Your child will be at risk of getting serious and sometimes life-threatening diseases. These harms can be prevented by getting your child immunized
- If there is an outbreak of disease at your child's daycare or school, your child may be asked to stay home until it is safe to return
- They may miss days or even months of school or daycare

Where can I get an immunization appointment for my child?

Who immunizes?

- ✓ Public health nurses
- ✓ Nurse practitioners
- ✓ Doctors
- Pharmacists (can immunize children 5 years of age and older)

Services may vary across BC.

Call for an appointment today!

Use our Public Health Unit Finder to find a public health unit near you. Go to:

ImmunizeBC.ca/finder



Keep your child safe by getting all immunizations on time. For the most current childhood immunization schedule visit: www.immunizebc.ca



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