



Patient First Name

Patient Last Name

Patient Date of Birth

Our biggest desire for your child is the same as yours as a parent/caregiver: we want to do everything we can to ensure that your child is as safe and healthy as possible.

- We have sincere confidence, based on all available medical literature, evidence, and current studies, that vaccines are safe.
- We have sincere confidence in the effectiveness of vaccines to prevent serious illness and to save lives.
- We have sincere confidence in the recommended vaccine schedule as published by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and we firmly agree that all children and young adults should receive these vaccines.
- We have sincere confidence that vaccinating children and young adults is the single most important health-promoting intervention we perform as healthcare providers, and that you can perform as parents/caregivers.

Let's talk about it!

As your child's medical care team, we feel it is our responsibility to know your child completely through well child visits. These well child visits are also part of your commitment to being a Parkside Family. It is also our responsibility to discuss vaccines often. We want to make sure that you have every opportunity to understand our recommendations and to ask questions. We encourage open dialogue, and in some cases, we may recommend an appointment dedicated solely to discussing vaccines. If you are unwilling to discuss vaccines or come to Parkside for routine well child visits, our practice is probably not the best fit for you, and that's okay!

Alternate or delayed vaccine schedules

We do not recommend delaying vaccines or following alternate vaccine schedules. In fact, this goes against our expert recommendations and can put your child at risk for serious illness (or even death). However, should you choose to follow a delayed vaccine schedule or "split-up" vaccines, you will be required to come in for additional office visits with our providers, which can incur additional cost to you.

DHEC immunization forms

Please be aware that DHEC immunization forms are required for admittance to daycare and schools. Legally, we can only provide DHEC immunization forms to children who are fully up to date on all required vaccines. Parkside Pediatrics cannot provide exemptions unless there is a medical indication to do so, which is not common. All other exemptions must come from the county health department.

Refusal to vaccinate

If you choose to turn down vaccination for your child, you will be required to sign a form indicating that you are aware of our recommendations and choose, at that time, to decline. We will continue to discuss vaccines at future visits and welcome your questions. We want to continue this conversation and be your primary resource as you navigate information. Please note that continued well child visits are required to be a patient at Parkside Pediatrics.

Thank you for allowing us to have an active role in the health and safety of your family. It is our love for your children on which we base our recommendations. If you have concerns regarding vaccines, please schedule a vaccine discussion visit with any of our providers.

Additional Information

- CDC: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/parents-adults/resources-parents.html>
- SC DHEC: <https://www.scdhec.gov/health/vaccinations/childcare-school-vaccine-requirements>
- Vaccine Information Statements (CDC): <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/current-vis.html>
- Healthy Children (AAP): <https://www.healthychildren.org/english/safety-prevention/immunizations/pages/default.aspx>
- Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Vaccine Education Center: <https://www.chop.edu/centers-p...>

Parent/Guardian signature if Patient is under 18, Patient if 18+. Please sign that you have read the Statement on Vaccines.

Parent/Guardian or Patient Full Name

Parent/Guardian or Patient Signature

Date