

VACCINE POLICY STATEMENT

- We firmly believe in the <u>effectiveness</u> of vaccines to prevent serious illness and to save lives.
- We firmly believe in the **<u>safety</u>** of vaccines.
- We firmly believe that all children and young adults should receive all the recommended vaccines according to the schedule published by the CDC Prevention, and American Academy of Pediatrics.
- We firmly believe based on all available literature, evidence, and current studies that vaccines DO NOT cause autism or other developmental disabilities.
- We firmly believe that vaccinating children and young adults may be the single most important
 <u>health-promoting</u> intervention we perform as health care providers, and that you
 perform as caregivers. The recommended vaccines and their schedule given are
 the results of years and years of scientific study and data gathering on millions
 of children by thousands of our brightest scientists and physicians.

It is our policy to vaccinate infants, children, and adolescents according to the recommended immunization schedule set forth by the American Academy of pediatrics CDC Prevention, and the State of Florida. All patients in the practice are **REQUIRED to receive all the recommended doses of vaccines**. If you do not follow our educated recommendations and choose NOT to vaccinate your child, then we recommend that you find another health care provider who shares your views.

As of January 1, 2017, we no longer accept new patients to the practice who refuse to vaccinate and we will be discharging concurrent patients not following our policy as of July 1, 2017.

This being said, we recognize that there has been and will likely always be controversy or apprehension surrounding vaccinations. Should you have any questions, concerns, or doubts about immunizations **we encourage you to discuss** your concerns with us.

Our priority is the health and wellbeing of our patients. We feel strongly that vaccinating children on schedule with currently available vaccines is absolutely the right thing to do for infants, children, and young adults.



IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE

	1M	2M	4M	6M	12M	15M	18M	2Yrs	4Yrs	10Yrs	11Yrs	16Yrs	17Yrs
Hepatitus B		HEP B #2	HEP B #3	HEP B #4									
Diptheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (Dtap)		DTAP #1	DTAP #2	DTAP #3		DTAP #4			DTAP #5				
Inactivated Polio		IPV #1	IPV #2	IPV #3		IPV #4			IPV #5				
Haemophilus Influenzae (HIB)		HIB #1	HIB #2	HIB #3		HIB #4							
Pneumoccal (PCV)		PCV #1	PCV #2	PCV #3		PCV #4							
Rotavirus (OTA)		ROTA #1	ROTA #2	ROTA #3									
Hepatitus A					HEP A #1		HEP A #2						
Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)					MMR #1				MMR #2				
Varicella (VZV)					VZV #1				VZV #2				
Tetanus, Ditheria, Pertussis (TCAP)											TDAP #1		
Meningococcal Meningitus (Menquadfi)											MENQ #1	MENQ #2	
Gardisil (HPV)										HPV #1	HPV #2		
MEN B												MEN B #1	MEN B #2