

A Special Message to Parents: Vaccinate before they Graduate!

Are your teenager's vaccinations up-to-date?

What should you do if you want your teen to be fully immunized?

Check your teen's vaccination records or check with your doctor to be sure your teen has all the recommended vaccinations. If your teen needs vaccinations, contact your doctor, or local health department to get them.

All children birth through 18 years of age in any of the following groups may qualify for a program called Vaccines for Children (VFC): those who do not have insurance; are enrolled in Medicaid; are American Indian/Alaskan Native; or whose insurance does not cover vaccinations. VFC eligible children or teens may be asked to pay a small fee to receive their vaccines. The fee may be waived if they are unable to pay. All Utah local health departments, community health centers and some private clinics are VFC providers.

Did You Know...?

- _ Vaccinations can protect your teen from serious diseases;
- _ Your teen may need vaccinations against many of these diseases to get a job or get into college;
- _ VFC eligible children may receive vaccinations through 18 years of age;
- _ Vaccines are usually more expensive for children over 18 years of age;
- _ Once your child is 19 years of age and considered an adult, insurance may not cover vaccinations.

For more information, please contact your doctor, the local health department or the immunization hotline: 1-800-275-0659. www.immunize-utah.org