

Immunization & Pregnancy

Vaccines help keep a pregnant woman and her growing family healthy.



Vaccine	Before pregnancy	During pregnancy	After pregnancy	Type of Vaccine
Hepatitis A	Yes, if indicated	Yes, if indicated	Yes, if indicated	Inactivated
Hepatitis B	Yes, if indicated	Yes, if indicated	Yes, if indicated	Inactivated
Human Papillomavirus (HPV)	Yes, if indicated, through 26 years of age	No, under study	Yes, if indicated, through 26 years of age	Inactivated
Influenza IIV	Yes	Yes	Yes	Inactivated
Influenza LAIV	Yes, if less than 50 years of age and healthy; avoid conception for 4 weeks	No	Yes, if less than 50 years of age and healthy; avoid conception for 4 weeks	Live
MMR	Yes, if indicated, avoid conception for 4 weeks	No	Yes, if indicated, give immediately postpartum if susceptible to rubella	Live
Meningococcal: • polysaccharide • conjugate	If indicated	If indicated	If indicated	Inactivated Inactivated
Pneumococcal Polysaccharide	If indicated	If indicated	If indicated	Inactivated
Tdap	Yes, if indicated	Yes, vaccinate during each pregnancy ideally between 27 and 36 weeks of gestation	Yes, immediately postpartum, if not received previously	Toxoid/ inactivated
Tetanus/Diphtheria Td	Yes, if indicated	Yes, if indicated, Tdap preferred	Yes, if indicated	Toxoid
Varicella	Yes, if indicated, avoid conception for 4 weeks	No	Yes, if indicated, give immediately postpartum if susceptible	Live

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