

## Well Child Visit and Immunization Recommendations:

1 month:	<b>Well child visit</b>
2 months:	<b>Well child visit</b> – HIB, Polio (IPV)
3 months:	DTaP, Prevnar
4 months:	<b>Well child visit</b> – HIB, IPV
5 months:	DTaP, Prevnar
6 months:	<b>Well child visit</b> – HIB, IPV
7 months:	DTaP, Prevnar
8 months:	*No visit or vaccines unless need to catch up
9 months:	<b>Well child visit</b> – no vaccines
12 months:	<b>Well child visit</b> – Discuss varicella with physician
15 months:	<b>Well child visit</b> – HIB
18 months:	<b>Well child visit</b> – DTaP, Prevnar
2 years:	<b>Well child visit</b> – MMR; discuss HepB with physician
3 years:	<b>Well child visit</b>
4 years:	<b>Well child visit</b>
5 years:	Kindergarten Physical – DTaP, IPV, MMR (these can be given any time after age 4)

### Notes:

\*We are not recommending the Rotavirus vaccine or the Gardasil vaccine at this time.

We are concerned that they have not been used long enough for their safety and effectiveness to be well documented.

\*We are recommending holding HepB vaccine until your child is AT LEAST one year of age. This vaccine is mandated by state law before entering any public daycare or school. If your child needs the vaccine prior to enrolling in a licensed daycare program or school, it can be started as early as 2 months of age. It is a series of 3 vaccines.

\*All of the vaccines in the above schedule are required for school entrance. Virginia mandates full immunization in order to be admitted to public daycare or school and we fully support this but offer a modified vaccine schedule depending on the individual needs of each child. The state does offer medical exemptions and religious exemptions where they apply.

\*AAP's current recommendation for flu vaccination is all children from age 6 mos through age 18 should be vaccinated. Flu shots are not mandated by law for school attendance. They are usually manufactured based on the strain of flu that was seen in the prior flu season so they are not guaranteed protection from the flu. Some studies have suggested even as low as a 50% efficacy. We do recommend flu vaccine for all children with chronic respiratory problems and those with chronic illness or are immunocompromised. In light of the H1N1 flu pandemic, we are recommending routine flu vaccine this year for all of our patients but have a limited supply. Our office stocks preservative-free flu vaccine. We will not be offering H1N1 vaccine unless it becomes mandatory. Once the vaccine is available, it can be obtained at your local health department.