



VACCINE SAFETY

What You Should Know

Vaccines save millions of lives each year. Yet, about 1 in 20 children are not vaccinated. Here's what you should know:



They Are Safe

Years of testing take place before vaccines are approved for use.



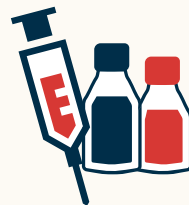
They Are Closely Monitored

Many organizations watch every step in the testing process.



They Work

Many diseases that children should be vaccinated for have been heavily reduced or eliminated.



Receiving Multiple Vaccines at Once Is Safe

Research has shown that receiving more than one vaccine at a time is safe and works as well as receiving them on separate visits.



Severe Side Effects Are Rare

Side effects from vaccines are usually mild and temporary, and may include pain and redness in the area you received the vaccine.

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