

The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program receives funding from the federal government. The VFC program offers free vaccinations to kids who might not otherwise receive them because of financial constraints. The Centers for Disease Control purchases vaccines at a reduced price and gives them to state health departments and some local and territorial public health organizations. These organizations send the vaccines to private medical practices and public health clinics registered as VFC providers. The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) has recommended several immunizations for children who qualify for the VFC program. We charge an administration fee, but there is no charge for the vaccine itself.

Many single and combination vaccines are licensed in the US that protect children against 16 preventable diseases. Among them are:

- Diphtheria
- Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Human Papillomavirus (HPV)
- Influenza (flu)
- Measles
- Meningococcal
- Mumps
- Pertussis (whooping cough)

- Pneumococcal
- Polio
- Rotavirus
- Rubella (German Measles)
- Tetanus (lockjaw)
- Varicella (chickenpox)

The vaccines available through the VFC are determined by the ACIP. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC), as the administrator of VFC, purchases and distributes the vaccines. VFC covers any vaccines included in the immunization schedules.

Your child can get these vaccines at the Meigs County Health Department Monday through Friday from 8 am to noon and 1 pm to 4 pm on a walk-in basis. We ask that you arrive by 3:30 pm so that we can get you checked in. We will have extended hours on September 13, 2022, from 4 pm to 6 pm for school shots for those unable to make it during our regular hours. If you have any questions, please call 740-992-6626. We hope to see you soon.



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