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# VACCINES SAVE LIVES

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*"Vaccines protect our children,  
families, and communities."*



To read the childhood vaccine  
recommendations based on  
CDC guidance in Dari and  
Pashto, please visit:  
**[www.nrccrim.org/Afghan](http://www.nrccrim.org/Afghan)**



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**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ **BIRTH:**  
Hep B
- ☐ **2 MONTH:**  
Hep B DTaP Polio Hib PCV RV
- ☐ **4 MONTH:**  
DTaP Polio Hib PCV RV
- ☐ **6 MONTH:**  
Hep B DTaP Polio Hib PCV RV
- ☐ **6 MONTHS OR OLDER:**  
COVID-19 vaccines Annual flu vaccine
- ☐ **12-15 MONTH:**  
DTaP Hib PCV HEP A MMR VAR
- ☐ **18 MONTH:**  
HEP A
- ☐ **4-6 YEARS:**  
DTaP Polio MMR VAR
- ☐ **11-12 YEARS:**  
MCV Tdap HPV
- ☐ **16 YEARS:**  
MCV MenB

This is a guide based on the **CDC's** recommended vaccines for children as of July 14, 2023. Your child's doctor may have additional recommendations based on your child's medical history, travel plans, or other factors. Please consult your doctor about vaccines recommended before, during, and after pregnancy.

**4 million deaths worldwide are prevented  
by childhood vaccination every year.**



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## VACCINES ARE SAFE

**Children need vaccines to strengthen their bodies to fight serious infections and prevent deadly diseases.**

In the U.S, the **Food & Drug Administration (FDA)** and **Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)** monitor vaccine manufacturing, storage, quality, and side effects for safety.

- For most vaccines, children need more than one dose to be fully protected.
- Mild vaccine side effects – such as fever or a sore arm – are common and can be treated at home with rest or over-the-counter medication. Serious adverse events are rare.