"RSV VACCINE" TIME!



PLEASE REVIEW THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FOR ALL THE INFO YOU NEED TO KNOW

WHAT IS THE "RSV VACCINE"?

The "RSV Vaccine" is a preventative antibody against the RSV virus - the brand name of it is **Beyfortus**. Studies show that it is very effecting in providing protection from RSV for at least 5 months after administration, and decreases the risk of infants being hospitalized for treatment of RSV.

WHO CAN GET BEYFORTUS?

Beyfortus is recommended for all infants younger than 8 months of age, who are born before or during their first RSV season, which is typically from October through March. However, if the baby's mother received the RSV vaccine while pregnant, even if it was last winter, then it is not recommended for the baby to receive Beyfortus. Also, if your baby is younger than 8 months of age but received Beyfortus at the end of last winter, it is not recommended for your infant to receive another dose of it.

WHAT IF I RECEIVED THE RSV VACCINE WHILE PREGNANT WITH THIS CHILD?

If you received the RSV vaccine at least 14 days before the birth of your child, then it is not recommended for your baby to receive Beyfortus.

CAN MY INFANT RECEIVE BEYFORTUS DURING THEIR SECOND RSV SEASON?

Beyfortus may be given to infants 8-19 months of age **only** if they meet certain high-risk criteria, such as chronic lung disease of prematurity, congenital heart disease, cystic fibrosis, or severely immunocompromised. Your doctor will determine and discuss with you if your child meets these criteria.

If your baby is less than 8 months of age but received Beyfortus at the end of the last RSV season, he should not receive a second dose this season.

CAN MY BABY RECEIVE BEYFORTUS AT THE SAME TIME AS OTHER VACCINES?

Yes, if your baby is in the office for a routine Well-Child Check Up or is eligible for Flu and/or COVID vaccines, she may receive Beyfortus at the same time as the other vaccines.

HOW DO I SIGN MY BABY UP TO RECEIVE BEYFORTUS?

For babies under 8 months of age, sign up through our website to bring your baby to our weekday Beyfortus clinic. If eligible, your baby may also receive the Flu and/or COVID vaccines at that clinic as well.

For "high-risk" babies in their second RSV season, please make an appointment with your baby's provider to receive Beyfortus.

HAVE MORE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE RSV VACCINE OR WANT MORE INFORMATION?

Talk with your baby's provider and/or review this informational handout from the CDC about the <u>"RSV Vaccine"</u> (https://www.immunize.org/wp-content/uploads/vis/iis_rsv.pdf).