



# RSV

## “Beyfortus”

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



#### WHAT IS THE “RSV VACCINE”?

The “RSV vaccine” is actually an antibody against the RSV virus – the brand name of it is Beyfortus. Studies show that it is very effective 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 born before or during their first RSV season, which is typically from October through March.

#### 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 this child, then it is not recommended for your baby to receive Beyfortus, even if it was during last RSV season.

#### 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, and severely immunocompromised. Your doctor will determine and discuss with you if you meet 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, 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?

Sign up through our website to bring your baby to our weekday BEYFORTUS CLINIC. If eligible, your baby may also receive their Flu and/or COVID vaccines at that clinic as well.

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