

# Why Routine Vaccinations Matter

## 1. Should my child get their routine vaccines while there are still cases of COVID-19 in LA?



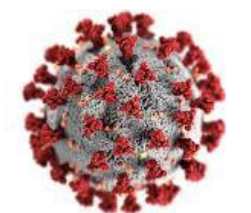
- Yes, vaccinations and well-child visits are important for all children and are essential for those under the age of two. They help keep your child safe and healthy. They protect them from serious and harmful diseases like measles, mumps, and pertussis (whooping cough).
- If your child has missed some vaccinations, now is a good time to catch up.
- For a list of vaccines that children need based on age, visit [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/index.html).

## 2. Where can I take my child to get their routine vaccinations?



- Your child can get their vaccinations from their doctor or at a local pharmacy. If you do not have health insurance or a regular doctor for your child, you can go to a free or low-cost immunization clinic. Visit [publichealth.lacounty.gov/ip/clinics.htm](http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/ip/clinics.htm) or call the Los Angeles County Info Line at 2-1-1 to find a clinic near you. The Info Line is available 24 hours a day and provides information in many languages.

## 3. Should my child get a COVID-19 vaccine?



- Yes. Vaccinating children protects them from getting COVID-19 and getting sick or spreading the virus to others. As of now, children age 5 and up can get a Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine.
- Visit [VaccinateLACounty.com](http://VaccinateLACounty.com) for information for parents and details on how children can get vaccinated.

## 4. Can my child get vaccinated against COVID-19 and other diseases at the same time?



- Yes. The COVID-19 vaccine can be given at the same time as other vaccines or at a different time. Your child does not need to wait between getting a COVID-19 vaccine and other vaccines, including flu vaccine.

## 5. Will I need my child's vaccination records when they register for school?



- Yes. This year, all students entering 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade, as well as those entering kindergarten, and 7<sup>th</sup> grade, will need to show that they have received all the routine vaccinations that are required. For details, visit [www.shotsforschool.org](http://www.shotsforschool.org).