

# Did You Know Your Child May Be Able To Get Free Vaccines?

## Vaccines for Children Can Help

The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program provides free vaccines to children who qualify. About half of children less than 19 years old receive VFC vaccine.

### Is my child eligible for the VFC Program?

Children are eligible if it is before their 19th birthday and they:

- Qualify for Medicaid,
- Don't have insurance, or
- Are American Indian or Alaska Native

Children whose insurance doesn't cover some or all routinely recommended vaccines (underinsured) can still get vaccines through VFC if they go to a Federally Qualified Health Center or Rural Health Clinic.

### Where can I go to get my child vaccinated?

- Ask if your child's doctor or nurse is a VFC provider. Nationally, thousands of health care providers are enrolled in the VFC program.
- If your child does not have a doctor, ask if your local public health department provides vaccines.
- Visit a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) or Rural Health Clinic (RHC).

### How much will I have to pay?

- All routinely recommended vaccines are free through the VFC Program.
- Doctors can charge fees to give each shot. However, they cannot refuse to vaccinate your child if you are unable to pay these fees.
- The doctor can charge additional fees for the office visit or non-vaccine services such as an eye exam or blood test.

### Where can I get more information?

- Ask your child's doctor's office if they participate in the VFC program.
- If you don't have a regular doctor's office:
  - Go to the below link to see available providers in your area or scan the QR code that is in the bottom left: <https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/programs/es/VFC.aspx>
  - Call 1-877-PA-HEALTH to find a VFC-enrolled provider near you.  
\*\*Philadelphia residents – call 215-685-6498 to find a VFC-enrolled provider near you.
  - Contact your [local health department](#).
  - Visit [Pennsylvania Association of Community Health Centers \(PACHC\)](#) to find a Federally Qualified Health Center.

