



# Health Tribune

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**Immunize on Time**

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*August is.....*

## **National Immunization Awareness Month**

The goal of National Immunization Month is to raise awareness to parents regarding immunizations and to remind them when their children need them. Keeping your child up-to-date on their immunizations is important so they are protected against vaccine preventable diseases.

The diseases that vaccines prevent can be dangerous, or even deadly. Immunizations reduce the risk of infection by working with the body's natural defenses to help it safely develop immunity to disease. Many of these diseases have been reappearing in your community, making it even more important that you keep your child on their immunization schedule :

<b>Recommended Age:</b>	<b>Vaccine*:</b>
◇ Birth	Hep B
◇ 2 Months	DTap, Hep B, Hib, PCV, Polio, Rotavirus
◇ 4 Months	DTap, Hib, PCV, Polio, Rotavirus
◇ 6 Months	DTap, Hep B, Hib, PCV, Flu, Rotavirus
◇ 12 Months	Hep A, MMR, PCV, Varicella
◇ 15 to 18 Months	DTap, Hep A, Hib, Polio
◇ 4 to 6 Years	DTap, MMR, Polio, Varicella
◇ 11-18 Years	Meningococcal, HPV, Tdap, Hep B, Hep A

\*Hep B: Hepatitis B, Hib: Haemophilus Influenzae B, Hep A: Hepatitis A, DTap, Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis, HPV: Human Papilloma Virus, MMR: Measles/Mumps/Rubella, PCV: Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine, Varicella: Chickenpox.

For more information:  
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/vaccine-decision/prevent-diseases.html>

## **Did you know...?**

Although many of these diseases are rarely seen, if your child is not protected against them, they are at risk of being infected. The Portage County Health Department has a Childhood Immunization Clinic every week.

**Cost:** \$10.00 per shot, **FREE** to those who can not pay. Medicaid accepted.

**When:** Every Wednesday, 8:00 am to 12:00 noon, Walk-in Clinic, no appointment needed.

**Where:** 449 S. Meridian St., Ravenna, OH 44266, Nursing Department, 1st Floor, across from WIC on Chestnut Street Entrance

### **What to bring with you:**

- ◇ **Immunization Record.**
- ◇ **Medicaid Card, if applicable.**



Portage County Health Department is dedicated to informing and supporting the community in regard to childhood and adult immunizations. The PCHD Nursing Clinic also offers adult immunizations every Tuesday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and are available by appointment only. Please call for appointment at 330-298-4490.

For more information:  
[http://www.co.portage.oh.us/healthdept\\_pages/nursing.htm](http://www.co.portage.oh.us/healthdept_pages/nursing.htm)

## **Questions or Comments?**

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