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Childhood Immunization Rates in New Mexico



Vaccination rates in New Mexico have increased for children aged 19-35 months old from 2009 to 2015.

2009: ~ 2 in 4

2015: ~ 3 in 4



In 2009, 45.8% of children met the recommended series of immunizations.

In 2015, 70.1% of children met the recommended series of immunizations.

Vaccines play an important role in the reduction and elimination of certain diseases. The United States Public Health Service identified immunizations as one of the Ten Great Public Health Achievements in the 20th Century. In New Mexico, recommended childhood vaccines for all children through age 18 are made available through the Vaccines for Children program. The New Mexico Department of Health also provides quality improvement services to promote best practices for immunizations. Measuring and tracking of immunizations allows for improvements to be made to immunization efforts for the protection of individuals and communities.

Everyone can:

- ◇ Talk to your healthcare provider about immunizations for members of your household. Remember - vaccines are not just for children.
- ◇ Stay up to date with recommended vaccinations.

What is the “4:3:1:3:3:1:4”?

- 4 doses of Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTaP) vaccine
- 3 doses of Polio vaccine
- 1 dose of Measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine
- 3 doses Haemophilis influenza (Hib) vaccine
- 3 doses of Hepatitis B vaccine
- 1 dose of Varicella vaccine
- 4 doses of Pneumococcal vaccine

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