Vaccination Basics

• A vaccine is a product that produces immunity from a disease and can be administered through needle injections, by mouth, or by aerosol.

• A vaccination is the injection of a killed or weakened organism that produces immunity in the body against that organism.

• An immunization is the process by which a person or animal becomes protected from a disease. Vaccines cause immunization, and there are also some diseases that cause immunization after an individual recovers from the disease.

Where can I get vaccinated?

If you do not currently have a regular source of care, federally-funded health centers provide a number of health care services even if you don’t have health insurance. You pay what you can afford, based on your income. Federally-funded health centers provide:

• Immunizations and checkups for your children
• Preventive checkups when you’re well
• Treatment when you’re sick
• Complete care when you’re pregnant
• Dental care and prescription drugs for your family
• Mental health and substance abuse care if you need it

Click on the link or use the web address below and enter your zip code. HealthMap Vaccine Finder will provide a list of local clinic options, address of clinic, hours of operation and vaccines offered.

http://www.vaccines.gov/getting/where/index.html

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