

VACCINATE YOUR FAMILY

THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC) RECOMMENDS A SERIES OF

5 WHOOPING COUGH VACCINATIONS

with infants receiving their 1st dose at two months of age, and the 5th dose of the series being administered between 4-6 years of age.



UNFORTUNATELY, ABOUT HALF OF INFANTS UNDER 12 MONTHS OF AGE WHO GET WHOOPING COUGH ARE HOSPITALIZED

and tragically approximately 1 out of 100 infants who are hospitalized will die.

IN FACT, IN ONE RECENT STUDY OF INFANTS WHO CONTRACTED WHOOPING COUGH, APPROXIMATELY

85% GOT IT FROM A MEMBER OF THEIR IMMEDIATE OR EXTENDED FAMILY WHEN A SOURCE OF THE INFECTION COULD BE IDENTIFIED.

MANY PEOPLE, INCLUDING FAMILY MEMBERS WHO SPREAD WHOOPING COUGH MAY NOT KNOW THEY HAVE THE DISEASE

which is one reason it is important to learn more about whooping cough vaccination.

Babies who get whooping cough often catch it from family members.



TALK TO YOUR HEALTHCARE PROVIDER, SUCH AS YOUR DOCTOR, NURSE OR PHARMACIST, ABOUT WHETHER THE WHOOPING COUGH VACCINE IS RIGHT FOR YOU.

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