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WHY SHOULD WE CONTINUE TO VACCINATE DURING COVID-19?

In-person routine well-care visits are still recommended for all children, and especially for those under 2 years of age, to maintain immunization schedules and prevent vaccine-preventable diseases

- Researchers found during the week of April 5th, the administration of measles, mumps and rubella shots dropped by 50%; diphtheria and whooping cough shots by 42%; and HPV vaccines by 73%
- Pediatrician offices are safe and taking every precaution to limit exposure during your visit including:
 - Separating sick and well visits
 - Eliminating waiting rooms
 - Wearing personal protective equipment
- No insurance? Many providers are already enrolled in the Vaccines for Children (VCF) program that offers free vaccines to families who cannot afford to pay
- Recent outbreaks in 2019 of measles, chickenpox, & mumps remind us of the importance of "herd immunity" to prevent future outbreaks
- Most importantly-Vaccines are SAFE! Vaccines go through years of testing for safety and effectiveness before approved for use

**Be sure to call your pediatrician for any questions or concerns*



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