



Little Steps Pediatrics - 1130 Commerce Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88011

VACCINATION POLICY

At Little Steps Pediatrics, we believe in vaccinations and we encourage all parents to comply with the recommendations of the medical community.

Some parents choose to not vaccinate their children which can put many children at risk. Infants and immune compromised patients are especially susceptible to illnesses such as whooping cough and measles. It is imperative that we limit exposure to illnesses such as these in the healthcare setting.

Children that are not vaccinated are at unnecessary risk for life threatening illness and disability and even death.

This policy will help to protect all patients but especially the most vulnerable from exposure to communicable diseases. It is our duty to provide the safest environment possible to receive health care.

Little Steps Pediatrics:

We believe in the effectiveness of the vaccines to prevent serious illness and to save lives.

We believe in the safety of our vaccines.

We believe that all children should receive all of the recommended vaccines according to the schedule published by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

We believe, based on all the current literature, evidence, and current studies, that vaccines do not cause autism or other developmental disabilities.

All of our own children are fully vaccinated.

At Little Steps Pediatrics we believe that vaccinating your children may be the single most important health promoting and life-saving intervention that you can perform as parents.

CDC guidelines provide a window for when a specific vaccine should be given. This allows sufficient flexibility in getting your child properly vaccinated. Our staff is here to help answer any questions or concerns you may have.

Our Policy:

1. We do not accept new patients that are choosing to not vaccinate.
2. All children must receive all vaccines recommended by the AAP that are mandated for school entry by the State of New Mexico.
3. This policy does not apply to immunocompromised children that are unable to receive vaccines.

Vaccines that are not required for school attendance and do not apply to this policy but are encouraged are:

(1.) HPV Vaccine (2.) Covid Vaccine (3.) Flu Vaccine