



## VACCINE POLICY STATEMENT

The Pediatricians at Boulder Medical Center firmly believe:

- ***Childhood vaccines prevent serious illness and save lives.***
- ***Childhood vaccines are safe.***
- ***Childhood vaccines are critically important to a child's long-term health.***
- ***One of the most important services we provide to our patients is vaccination against life threatening diseases.***
- ***Unvaccinated children in our office pose a danger and a risk to other patients, especially children too young to be fully immunized.***

We strongly recommend that all children and young adults receive all recommended vaccines according to the schedule published by the Centers for Disease Control and the American Academy of Pediatrics. This schedule is the result of years of scientific study and data gathered on millions of children and provides the best and most reliable protection from these diseases. Scientific-based studies and current literature have clearly proven that vaccines do not cause autism or other developmental disabilities.

We recognize that there is controversy in the media regarding vaccinations, and that the choice to vaccinate may be an emotional one for some parents, yet choosing not to vaccinate can have devastating consequences.

Our goal as Pediatricians is to provide quality health care to each and every one of our patients. By administering vaccines according the recommended schedule, we are protecting the health of all the patients we serve.

***\*\*\*If parents request that we break up vaccinations, or otherwise depart from the recommended schedule, we may not be able to accommodate the request. We do not recommend, nor will we generate, an alternative schedule for your child.***

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