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### CDC'S LET'S PLAY CATCH-UP ON ROUTINE VACCINES

Over the past few years, many children have missed regular check-ups and recommended childhood vaccinations. The CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommend children catch up on routine childhood vaccinations and get back on track for school, childcare, and beyond.

Making sure that your children and adolescents see their doctor for well-child visits and recommended vaccines is one of the best things that you can do to protect them and our community from serious diseases. Children and adolescents who are not protected by vaccines are more likely to get diseases like measles and whooping cough. These diseases are extremely contagious and can be very serious, especially for babies and young children. Due to low vaccination rates in some communities, there have been outbreaks of these diseases in recent years.

Let's play catch-up and work together to make sure that our children get caught up on missed well-child visits and recommended vaccines.

JCDPH offers a variety vaccines for all ages. If you need free vaccines for your child, JCDPH is a Vaccines for Children (VFC) provider. The VFC program provides vaccines to children who are Medicaid-eligible, uninsured, underinsured, or American Indian/Alaska Native at no cost. For more information, to find out if your child is VFC eligible, or to schedule an appointment call 828-586-8994.

Visit <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/schedules/index.html> to view the recommended vaccine schedule for children.

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