

What to LOOK for and what you should do after your child's vaccines

SELF CARE AT HOME

- Normal immunization reactions (mild redness, pain or swelling at the injection site, fever, fussiness)



CONTACT DOCTOR WITHIN 24 HOURS

- Redness around the shot becomes larger and more painful to touch after 3 days
- Fever lasts more than 3 days
- Fever returns after being gone more than 24 hours
- You think your child needs to be seen, but the problem is not urgent

CONTACT DOCTOR DURING OFFICE HOURS

- Redness or red streak around shot is larger than 2 inches (5 cm)
- Redness, swelling or pain is getting worse after 3 days
- Fussiness from vaccine lasts more than 3 days
- You have other questions or concerns

CALL DOCTOR OR SEEK CARE NOW

- Fever in baby less than 12 weeks old. **Caution:** do NOT give your baby any fever medicine before being seen.
- Fever over 104° F (40° C)
- Fever after vaccine given and weak immune system (such as sickle cell disease, HIV, cancer, organ transplant, taking oral steroids)
- Crying nonstop lasts more than 3 hours
- Your child looks or acts very sick
- You think your child needs to be seen, and the problem is urgent

CALL 911 NOW

- Trouble breathing or swallowing
- Not moving or very weak
- Can't wake up
- You think your child has a life-threatening emergency

