



HR Highlights July 2021

Highlighting Routine Vaccinations to Observe National Immunization Awareness Month

[National Immunization Awareness Month](#) is held every year in August. It's another reminder of the importance of vaccinations for everyone, regardless of age. Our Commonwealth of Virginia employee health plans cover routine immunizations recommended for children and adults, along with well child and annual adult wellness visits. All immunizations, including the COVID-19 vaccine, are covered at no cost to the member.

Wellness and preventive care immunizations covered by state health plans include:

- Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTaP)
- Haemophilus Influenza type b (Hib)
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Human Papillomavirus (HPV)
- Influenza (flu)
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
- Meningococcal (meningitis)
- Pneumococcal (pneumonia)
- Polio
- Rotavirus
- Varicella (chicken pox)
- Zoster (shingles)

Employees with young children should follow their pediatrician's recommendations for well child and immunization visits. There is also an immunization schedule in [state health plan member handbooks](#) for children from birth through 6 years recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in partnership with the American Academy of Family Physicians and the American Academy of Pediatrics.

See more immunization information, including school requirements, on the [Virginia Department of Health](#) website.