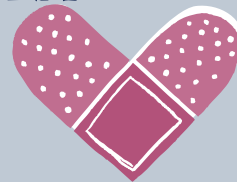


# Hepatitis B Vaccine



## Who should get vaccinated?



### Early Adolescents, Adolescents, and Adults

Anyone younger than 60 years who didn't get the hepatitis B vaccine when they were a child can get 2 or 3 doses of this vaccine.



Hepatitis B vaccination is recommended for adults 60 years or older at increased risk of being exposed to the virus. Talk to your doctor to see if you're at higher risk.



### Children

Children need 3 doses of hepatitis B vaccine, usually at:

- Within 24 hours of birth
- 1-2 months
- 6 months



## Why get vaccinated?

**This vaccine can prevent hepatitis B, a serious liver disease that can range from mild to severe.**

Symptoms of hepatitis B include tiredness, loss of appetite, stomach or muscle pain, nausea, and jaundice (yellow skin or eyes, dark urine, light-colored stool) but many people may not have symptoms. Serious complications of hepatitis B include liver damage, liver cancer, and death.

You can get hepatitis B when blood, semen, or other body fluids from someone with hepatitis B get into your body through sex, shared needles, needle sticks, etc.

## Fast facts about the Hepatitis B vaccine

**1**

The vaccine is typically given in three doses.

**2**

Hepatitis B is a liver disease that can lead to serious liver damage and cancer.

**3**

The vaccine is 80 – 100% effective against hepatitis B infection.

**To learn more about this vaccine and possible side effects, see the CDC Vaccine Information Statements:**



Health is a community effort — tell your friends, family, and coworkers. Learn more about the benefits of vaccines and which ones you might need at [JuntosEnSalud.org](https://www.juntosensalud.org).

