

# WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER IMMUNIZATIONS

A child may feel sick after receiving a shot. Here's what you can do to help your child feel better.

1. Redness and swelling may occur at the shot. Your child may feel better in a warm bath, or a cool pack may be applied to the site.
2. Exercise the leg or arm in which the shot was given.
3. Hold, rock, and comfort a child that is fretful or irritable.
4. Give your child a non-aspirin pain reliever after the shots.
5. If your child received the Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) shot today, she/he may have a non-contagious rash, or fever, swollen glands around the jaw, or joint aching in 1-2 weeks.
6. Call us if you have any questions at 989-673-8116 or 989-673-1680.
7. Call your doctor with your immunization (shot) record in hand if:
  - your baby's fever lasts longer than 24 hours.
  - your baby's fever is higher than 102° when taken in the armpit, 45 minutes after the last dose of acetaminophen. your baby cries or screams for 3 or more hours after the DTaP shot and can't be comforted.
  - your baby has a high pitched unusual cry within 48 hours.
  - your baby is fretful and irritable for more than 48 hours.
  - your baby has a seizure.