

VARICELLA

What is it?

Varicella, or chickenpox, is a virus that causes a very itchy rash that is very contagious and lasts for about a week.

What happens if my child does not get it?

The vaccine protects from serious complications like pneumonia (lung infection) and encephalitis (brain swelling). The varicella vaccine also decreases risk of developing “shingles” in the future.



When does my child get it?

One dose between 12-15 months. A second dose is recommended between 4-6 years. Some children are not fully protected until after the second dose

**AS ALWAYS, TALK TO YOUR
CHILD'S PEDIATRICIAN IF
YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS**