

Norton Children's Infectious Diseases Vaccine Clinic

The vast majority of vaccinations are delivered in the medical home, as they should be. However, special circumstances can arise in general practice or in the course of subspecialty care where special immunization expertise may be needed. Norton Children's Infectious Diseases established the Vaccine Clinic to address this need and to assist providers in delivering the best comprehensive immunization care for their patients.

Located in the Novak Center for Children's Health (Level 3, 411 E. Chestnut Street in Louisville), the Vaccine Clinic is directed by Dr. Shanna Barton and staffed by her and other pediatric infectious diseases providers. Patients for whom referral might be considered include:

- ✓ Medically complex
- ✓ Catch-up vaccination needed
- ✓ Adopted or refugee status
- ✓ Chronic medical condition with increased risk for vaccine-preventable disease
- ✓ Immunocompromised
- ✓ Transplant candidate or recipient
- ✓ Reported vaccine allergy or reaction
- ✓ Potential contraindications or precautions present
- ✓ Vaccine hesitancy or refusal

The clinic will provide individualized recommendations, counseling, and durable educational materials for patients as appropriate. In most cases, vaccinations can be given during the visit, and vaccine series can be completed through subsequent "shots only" visits. Shots-only appointments are also available for patients who are being seen by other subspecialists in the Novak Center.

Patients may be referred through Epic, place the referral to Pediatric Infectious Diseases and type "Vaccine Clinic" in the notes section. Both in-person and virtual appointments are available, usually within 10 business days. Referring providers can also call the clinic at (502) 588-2348 or can send an Epic Secure Chat message to NCMG Infectious Disease.

