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Nobody Wants Chicken Pox!

Prevention of Varicella: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)

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Varicella is the scientific name for chickenpox, a common childhood disease. There are some very good reasons to avoid chickenpox and now there are vaccines to prevent it. Chickenpox can be a serious illness, especially for older people, woman who are pregnant, and others. An independent group of medical experts that advises CDC on immunization practices has issued new vaccine recommendations for preventing chickenpox: who should get vaccinated, when, and why. To learn more, call 1-800-CDC-INFO or go to CDC's immunization web site, cdc.gov/vaccines.

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