

Your Baby Needs Hepatitis B Vaccine at Birth

- About 19,000 people get hepatitis B virus (HBV) every year and many may not know they have it
- HBV is a serious disease that can be prevented
- Your baby can get it from :
 - YOU if you have HBV
 - SOMEONE they live with who has HBV
 - SOMEONE who cares for them who has HBV
- One shot of hepatitis B (hepB) vaccine at birth will give your baby a “safety” net to keep them safe from getting HBV, even if you don’t have it
- Make sure your baby has hepB vaccine **within 24 hours of birth**
- Know your hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) results
 - If your HBsAg result is positive, you have HBV
 - If you have HBV, your baby will need hepB vaccine along with hepatitis B immune globulin (HBIG) **within 12 hours of birth**
- If hepB vaccine was not offered to your baby, ASK the doctor or nurse to give it to your baby

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