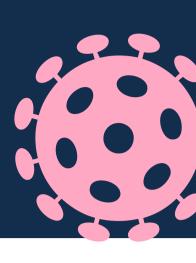


## PROVIDING ROUTINE IMMUNIZATIONS



during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic

The New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) encourages healthcare providers to continue vaccinating patients whenever possible. Slowing or stopping access to immunizations increases our risk for vaccine-preventable diseases. Providers should review strategies to continue timely vaccination during the COVID-19 pandemic.



## HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS WORKING WITH CHILDREN



Healthcare providers should identify children who have missed well-child visits and/or recommended vaccinations and contact them to schedule in person appointments, starting with newborns, infants up to 24 months, young children and extending through adolescence.

Use strategies to separate well visits from sick. Examples include:

- Scheduling well visits in the morning and sick visits in the afternoon.
- Separating patients spatially, such as by placing patients with sick visits in different areas of the clinic or another location from patients with well visits.

## HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS WORKING WITH ADULTS



- Healthcare providers, whether they administer vaccines or not, should take steps to ensure that their patients continue to receive vaccines according to the <u>Standards for Adult Immunization Practice</u>.
- Older adults and adults with underlying medical conditions are particularly at increased risk for preventable disease and complications if vaccination is deferred.

## Additional Resources

NJ COVID-19 24/7
hotline for medical
questions:

NJDOH Information on COVID-19

1-800-962-1253

- NJDOH Resource List for Healthcare Providers
- CDC Interim Guidance for Immunization Services during COVID-19