

VACCINE POLICY STATEMENT

PURPOSE:

Tepeyac strives to provide comprehensive, compassionate, and top-quality healthcare to all of our patients and families. One of the most important services we can provide our patients is vaccinations against life-threatening diseases. We strongly agree with the Centers for Disease Control and American Academy of Pediatrics that vaccines are critical to maintaining healthy individuals and communities. As medical professionals, we feel that vaccinating children and adults on schedule with currently available vaccines the right thing for our patients and community.

REFERENCES:

Centers for Disease Control (CDC)'s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP); American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

POLICY:

- We adhere to the CDC's ACIP Immunization Guidelines for Adults & AAP Immunization Guidelines for Children and Adolescents. These guidelines can be found at:
 - https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/imz/adult.html
 - https://publications.aap.org/redbook/pages/Immunization-Schedules
- The State of Colorado has mandated vaccines for school entry. Colorado's vaccine requirements and recommendations can be found at:
 - https://cdphe.colorado.gov/schoolrequiredvaccines.
- Our providers do not follow alternative vaccines schedules and will identify soon-tobe-due and overdue vaccines at every opportunity. Our providers will continuously stress the importance of adherence to the above immunization schedules at every visit, including with any patients or caregivers who refuse to adhere to this schedule without medical reason.
- Our providers welcome discussion about our vaccine policy. We hope our patients
 and their caregivers understand that we have created this vaccine policy to protect
 patients, their families, and our communities from deadly, preventable diseases by
 administering safe and effective vaccines. We encourage all patients to discuss any
 concerns, doubts, or questions about vaccines with our health care team.