

# Pertussis Adult Immunization

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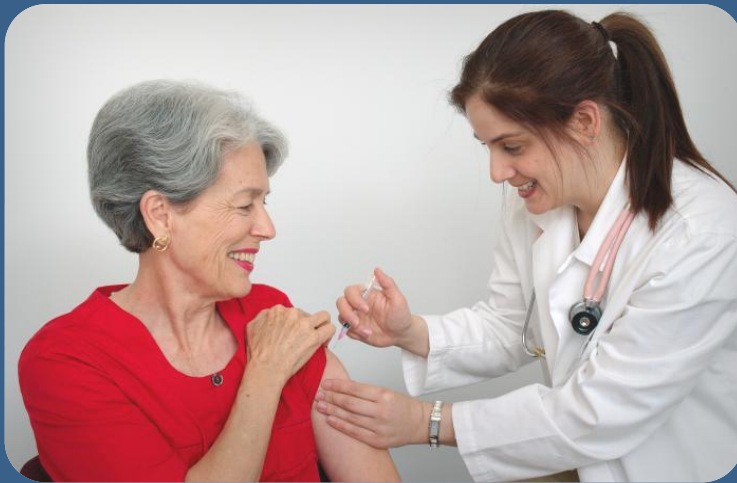


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Protect Yourself.  
Protect Your Family.  
Get the Tdap Vaccine.

## Signs and Symptoms

- Runny nose
- Mild Fever
- Apnea (pause in breathing in infants)
- Mild, occasional cough that can become violent and rapid, causing vomiting

**“The best way to protect against pertussis is immunization”**

**-CDC**

For more information on Pertussis visit the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services website at [www.dhhs.nh.gov](http://www.dhhs.nh.gov) or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).

## What is Pertussis?

Pertussis, also known as whooping cough, is a contagious bacterial infection of the respiratory tract. It causes a persistent cough that ends in a loud “whoop!” sound and may cause other cold symptoms.

Pertussis can cause serious illness in infants and can be life threatening. It is spread by direct contact with an infected person. In 2009, nearly 17,000 cases were reported across the country. 80% of deaths occur in babies less than 1 year of age.

Adults that have close contact with infants – parents, grandparents, caregivers, teachers, childcare providers and health care providers – should get the tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (Tdap) vaccine to prevent transmission of the infection to infants.

Source: NH DHHS, CDC

## Where to Get Vaccinated

The Tdap vaccine is available at the Nashua Immunization Clinic for all individuals, including those who:

- Lack private insurance
- Have Medicare
- Have private health insurance that does not pay for vaccinations
- Lack access from other sources

## Clinic Hours:

Tuesdays – 4:00pm - 7:00pm  
Fridays – 8:30am – 10:30am  
Address: 18 Mulberry Street  
Phone: 603-589-4500

A fee of \$10.00 is requested at time of service. No one will be turned away due to their inability to pay.

Please bring immunization records.



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