

No one wants their child to miss out on special occasions or favorite activities because of the flu.

## Facts that parents and guardians should be aware of:

- Flu is a contagious viral infection of the respiratory system. Children are most likely to get sick from flu<sup>1</sup>
- Flu can cause a high fever, body aches, sore throat, a cough, and other symptoms<sup>1</sup>
- Most children are ill with the flu for less than a week, but some have more serious symptoms and **may need to be treated in the hospital**<sup>2</sup>
- Children with asthma, diabetes, or other health problems are at greater risk of developing flu-related complications<sup>1</sup>

Vaccination is the best way to help prevent the flu.<sup>1</sup> Take steps to prevent the flu from interfering with your child's important milestones.

Help prevent your child from missing out because of the flu. Talk to your child's doctor or pharmacist about flu vaccination today.

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