

# Vaccines for Children

Protecting America's children every day

The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program helps ensure that all children have a better chance of getting their recommended vaccines. VFC has helped prevent disease and save lives.



CDC estimates that vaccination of children born between 1994 and 2016 will:

prevent **381 million** illnesses



more than the current population of the entire U.S.A.

help avoid **855,000** deaths



greater than the population of Seattle, W.A.

save nearly **\$1.65 trillion** in total societal costs  
*(that includes \$360 billion in direct costs)*



or \$5,077 for each American

Updated 2017 analysis using methods from "Benefits from Immunization during the Vaccines for Children Program Era—United States, 1993-2013."



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