



Pediatric Associates

of Kershaw County, PA

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Vaccine Policy

Pediatric Associates of Kershaw County, PA (PAKC) takes pride in providing outstanding pediatric health care and enhancing the lives of the community in which we serve; therefore, we strongly believe in adhering to the vaccination schedule set forth by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).

We do understand that some families may not wish to immunize or may wish to have a delayed immunization schedule. Our belief is that there is no need to delay immunizations; in fact it has been proven that splitting immunizations is not safer and can lead to children being under immunized. We are willing to discuss the pros and cons of this with patients on a case by case basis. If a delayed immunization schedule is agreed upon by the physician and the family, a schedule will be written out and signed by the physician and the family. This schedule must be kept to keep the patient in good standing at the practice. The primary set of immunizations must be finished by the age of two.

New patients coming into the practice who do not wish to vaccinate will not be accepted as a new patient, as we do not feel they will be a good fit for our practice. New patients coming into the practice who are under immunized will be placed on the Center of Disease Control “catch-up” schedule and required to complete this within one year of entering the practice.

Beginning January 1, 2018, we are requiring all our patients to be fully immunized. Failure to immunize will be considered a voluntary termination of the physician patient relationship and will require the patient be transferred to another practice.