

CDC: vaccination coverage generally high for those born in 2015-16

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For children born in 2015 to 2016, vaccination coverage is generally

high, although coverage can be improved with increased access to providers and health insurance, according to research published in the Oct. 18 issue of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report*.

Holly A. Hill, M.D., Ph.D., from the CDC in Atlanta, and colleagues used data from the National Immunization Survey-Child to assess [vaccination coverage](#) with the recommended number of doses of each vaccine among [children](#) born in 2015 and 2016.

The researchers found that nationally, coverage by age 24 months was ≥ 90 percent for three or more doses of poliovirus vaccine, one or more doses of measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine, three or more doses of hepatitis B vaccine, and one or more doses of varicella vaccine; in 20 states, MMR coverage was

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