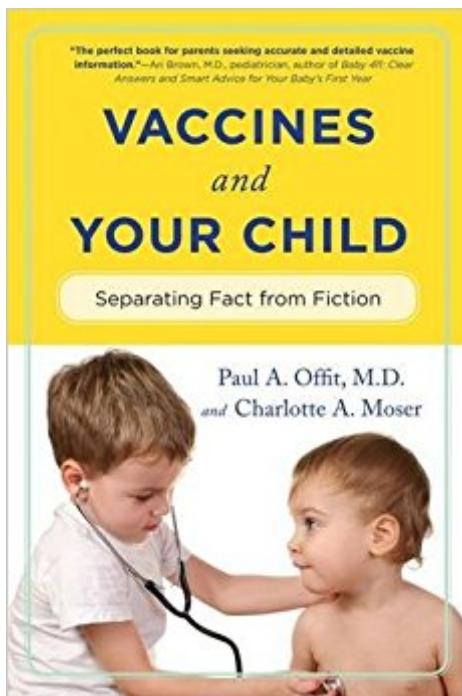


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# Vaccines And Your Child: Separating Fact From Fiction



## Synopsis

Paul A. Offit and Charlotte A. Moser answer questions about the science and safety of modern vaccines. In straightforward prose, they explain how vaccines work, how they are made, and how they are tested. Most important, they separate the real risks of vaccines from feared but unfounded risks. Offit and Moser address parental fears that children may receive too many vaccines too early, that the HPV vaccine may cause chronic fatigue or other dangerous side effects, that additives and preservatives in vaccines cause autism, and that vaccines might do more harm than good. There couldn't be a better moment or more pressing need for this book, which offers honesty instead of hype in the quest to protect children's health.

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The perfect book for parents seeking accurate and detailed vaccine information. (Ari Brown, M.D., pediatrician, author of Baby 411: Clear Answers and Smart Advice for Your Baby's First Year) This new book is a valuable resource for all parents concerned about the health of their child. Vaccines and Your Child makes it easier than ever for parents to wade through the abundance of information about vaccines, setting the story straight about vaccine safety. (Rosalynn Carter, former First Lady, cofounder of Every Child By Two) Paul Offit, M.D., and Charlotte Moser of the Vaccine Education center come together to provide a great deal of useful information. Vaccines and Your Child is a scholarly and much needed read for any concerned parent. (Midwest Book Review)

Paul A. Offit, M.D., FAAP, is the chief of Infectious Diseases and the director of the Vaccine Education Center at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, as well as the Maurice R. Hilleman Professor of Vaccinology and professor of pediatrics at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. He has authored *Autism's False Prophets*; *Vaccinated: One Man's Quest to Defeat the World's Deadliest Diseases*; *The Cutter Incident: How America's First Polio Vaccine Led to the Growing Vaccine Crisis*; and *Deadly Choices: How the Anti-Vaccine Movement Threatens Us All*. Charlotte A. Moser is the assistant director of the Vaccine Education Center at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and creator of the center's program for parents, known as Parents PACK. She has developed a variety of educational materials about vaccines, oversees the center's Web content and contact center, and writes the monthly e-mail newsletter for Parents PACK, which has several thousand subscribers.

Scientifically proven facts that save babies' lives.

This book is a wonderful resource for parents who want to know more about vaccines and the science supporting them. This book discusses both the risks and benefits of vaccination in a factual manner and sites the research along with links for further information. There is even a supplementary reading section. I have read several books about vaccines, and this is the best one so far. It addresses common areas of concerns for parents and nothing is sugar coated, it contains factual information and shares a few personal stories as well. Great resource!

It is a "Just the facts" type of book. Everything is documented. Enough of the vaccine lies! So many parents are told things that are pseudoscience and this addresses it so they can protect their children.

I bought this and read it from cover to cover and this is definitely the book I am going to recommend to my patients' parents to read. It is the perfect antidote for the Sear's pseudoscience Vaccine book. *Vaccines And You Child* is scientifically sound, easy to read and trustworthy. An added benefit to getting the kindle edition is that web links take you to sites where you can hear the horrific whooping cough, get information from the CDC and many other pertinent links. Of note, since published, there is an updated recommendation about the meningococcal meningitis vaccine(Menactra). The book says it is a single dose series, but it recently has been recommended that children get two doses, one at age 11 and a booster at age 16 (or 5 years after the first.). As always, check with your

pediatrician for the latest and best information for your child.

This book is short and to the point. It covers all of the major questions that parents have on vaccines, and provides answers based on actual science. It does not sugar coat anything. It is by Dr Paul Offit- the world's expert on vaccines from the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. He has other excellent books on this topic, which go into much more detail and history on everything, but those books are long. This book is designed for parents in bite-size chapters. It is not one sided, as another reviewer complained- it is based on scientific evidence. It is not Dr Offit's fault that scientific evidence has shown again and again that vaccinations are safe overall for the majority of children. If a new parent only has time to read one book, this is the book they should read!

I initially found this book at the library and then went online to buy it because I liked it so much. I am a pediatrician and think it is a good unbiased resource to explain common vaccine questions. It uses solid references and is easy to read/understand

Vaccines are obviously controversial, and a scary topic to consider for new parents. I appreciated the facts and perspective offered in this book.

I love how this book breaks it down easily for the average layperson to understand. This book is "one sided" since one side resides in evidence based fact and the other side has been repeatedly disproved by study after study yet they continue to charm naive first time mothers. If you're interested in more fact based information on vaccines and your children here are some places to start: Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Vaccine Education Center (This site includes answers to top vaccine concerns as well as a look at each vaccine and the diseases it prevents) <http://www.chop.edu/service/vaccine-education-center/home.html> CHOP videos: <http://www.youtube.com/user/ChildrensHospPhilal> Immunization Action Coalition (Also check out the "handouts" portion of this site for something to print out and give the AVs in your life!) [http://www.immunize.org/vaccines/Vaccinate\\_Your\\_Baby.html](http://www.immunize.org/vaccines/Vaccinate_Your_Baby.html) Every Child by Two [http://www.ecbt.org/Autism\\_Science\\_Foundation](http://www.ecbt.org/Autism_Science_Foundation) (reliable, science-based information for parents of children with autism) [http://www.autismsciencefoundation.org/Parents\\_of\\_Kids\\_with\\_Infectious\\_Diseases](http://www.autismsciencefoundation.org/Parents_of_Kids_with_Infectious_Diseases) (video section) <http://www.pkids.org/immunizations/videos.html> Sounds of Pertussis <http://www.soundsofpertussis.com> Shot by shot: stories of preventable

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