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An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Old proverb

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Vaccine Safety

The hepatitis B vaccine is considered one of the most safe and effective vaccines ever produced. In the U.S., 40 million Americans have received the vaccine. Outside the U.S., 750 million persons have received the vaccine. Three shots can protect a person for a lifetime.

The most highly respected public health agencies and professional medical associations have rigorously studied the safety of the hepatitis B vaccine. According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), World Health Organization (WHO), and the National Academy of Sciences' Institute of Medicine (IOM), there is no confirmed evidence that the hepatitis B vaccine causes any of the following diseases:

chronic illness	seizures
multiple sclerosis	sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS)
guillain-barre syndrome	chronic fatigue syndrome
transverse myelitis	rheumatoid arthritis
optic neuritis	autoimmune disorders

Questions About Vaccine Safety

If you have any questions about vaccine safety, contact: **CDC National Immunization Information Hotline**

1-800-232-2522 (English) 1-800-232-0233 (Spanish)

To Report a Vaccine Adverse Event

Visit Waccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) or call tollfree 1-800-822-7967. You can also download a > VAERS Form to complete and return.

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