

# IMMUNIZATIONS PROTECT ARIZONA'S KIDS



## Why We Need To Keep Arizona's Kids Protected Against Communicable Diseases:

- ✓ Arizona children are close to national averages for immunizations against chickenpox, measles, mumps, rubella, and whooping cough—but we can't afford to lose ground.
- ✓ In 2010, neighboring California experienced a whooping cough outbreak that cost 10 infants their lives and sickened thousands more. In 2015, a measles outbreak spread from one infected person at a California amusement park to 145 people.
- ✓ States with easy opt-out procedures for school entry immunization requirements—like Arizona—have a 90% higher risk of outbreaks of whooping cough than states with difficult procedures. Children opted out of school immunization requirements are 35 times more likely to contract measles.
- ✓ By maintaining high rates of child immunization coverage, we can protect babies too young to be immunized—and the broader public at large—from preventable diseases.

## HELP US SAVE LIVES— IMMUNIZE ARIZONA'S CHILDREN.



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