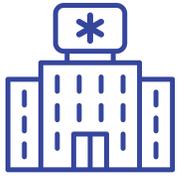


# MAKE NO MISTAKE COVID-19 IS A CHILDHOOD ILLNESS



## COVID-19 CAN BE SERIOUS FOR KIDS.



**4X MORE DEATHS  
THAN FLU**

**800  
DEATHS**

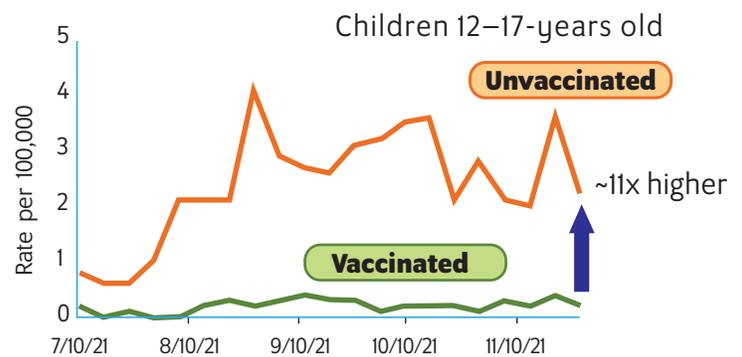
Over 800 children have died from COVID-19 in the US, compared to approximately 200 pediatric flu deaths over the past two years.

**8,300  
HOSPITALIZATIONS**

About 1 in 3 children hospitalized with COVID-19 in the US were admitted to the ICU, similar to the rate among adults.

## 11X HIGHER RISK OF HOSPITALIZATION

COVID-19 associated hospitalizations in unvaccinated children are 11x higher than fully vaccinated.



## PEDIATRIC VACCINATION COVERAGE IS LOW, ESPECIALLY FOR CALIFORNIA'S MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN

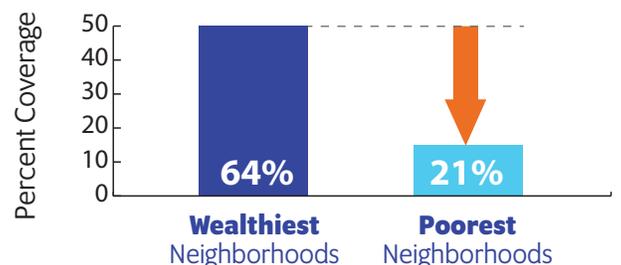
**65% OF KIDS  
NOT VACCINATED !**

Over 65% of California children ages 5-11 years have yet to receive 1 dose of COVID-19 vaccine, leaving most children vulnerable to Omicron and future variants likely to follow.



## POOREST NEIGHBORHOODS ARE FAR BEHIND

Only about 21% of children in California's poorest neighborhoods are vaccinated against COVID-19 compared to 64% in wealthiest neighborhoods.



Children, ages 5-11 (as of January 26, 2022).

# YOU CAN SAVE LIVES NOW BY PARTICIPATING IN THE COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAM



# 40%

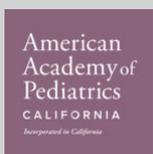
## OF VFC PROVIDERS NOT GIVING COVID-19 VACCINE

- Many VFC providers have yet to enroll in the COVID-19 Vaccination Program, leaving many vulnerable children without access in their medical home. **Enroll today!**
- Many VFC providers enrolled in the COVID-19 vaccine program haven't ordered vaccine. Once enrolled, start ordering and administering vaccine!
- More access to vaccine is needed: Pharmacy appointments and school clinics are helpful but not enough to reach many children.



## ONLY 1 OF 6 PARENTS SAY THEIR CHILD'S DOCTOR RECOMMENDED THE COVID-19 VACCINE.

- As a trusted source, your recommendation can influence the decision to vaccinate.
- If you choose not to enroll, have a referral plan in place to ensure that your patients get vaccinated elsewhere.
- Counseling for COVID-19 vaccine may be billable—stay tuned for updates.



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