

Varicella Radio Spot

Adult 1: You won't believe this! My daughter was just diagnosed with chickenpox.

Adult 2: Really? Did she get it from a child at school?

Adult 1: I guess so. Have there been reported cases?

Adult 2: I know in Escambia County there were 80 reported cases in 2009, mostly among children ages 5-14. Generally, chickenpox is mild, but sometimes it can be fatal.

Adult 1: I always thought it was a harmless disease. Is there a vaccine to prevent it?

Adult 2: Yes there is. The vaccine is given in two doses. Children are required to get the second shot before entering kindergarten. Luckily, it's free for kids under 18 at the health department.

Adult 1: How important is the second dose?

Adult 2: Very important. With the second dose, the vaccine is 90% effective at preventing chickenpox.

Adult 1: Well I better get my youngest vaccinated too. I don't want him to get it!

Adult 2: Good! Remember, to prevent chicken pox, it takes two!

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