

# **Recommended Vaccinations**

The below recommendations are in accordance with ACOG and CDC.

### Annual Flu Vaccine

Flu season is October-May. We recommend you receive the vaccine as early as possible during the season. We have a supply of flu vaccinations on-hand each year for our pregnant patients.

## **Tdap Vaccine**

Pregnant women are recommended to receive the Tdap vaccine during the 3rd trimester of pregnancy. This is the tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine. Newborns are at high risk for acquiring pertussis until they have received this vaccine at 6 months of age. By getting vaccinated during the 3rd trimester, you will share some immunity with your infant. This is why you will be vaccinated each pregnancy even if you are up-to-date by preventative care guidelines. We recommend your partner and anyone else caring for your infant during the first 6 months be up to date on this vaccine, as well.

### Zika Virus

There is currently no Zika vaccine available. The Zika virus can be transmitted from a mother to her baby during pregnancy. This is a quickly changing risk in some areas. Refer to cdc.gov/zika for up-to-date information about areas of Zika transmission and ways to protect yourself from the Zika virus.

#### COVID-19 Vaccine

ACOG, SMFM, ASRM, and CDC all recommend that this vaccine be offered to pregnant and lactating women. Research is ongoing to collect data from these groups of patients.