

HAITI MISSION WORK

Subject: Vaccines

There are no vaccines required, below are all recommendations from the CDC.

Routine Vaccines that Most Already Have:

MMR Vaccine (measles/mumps/rubella)

DPT Vaccine (diphtheria/pertussis/tetanus)

Polio Vaccine

Others Vaccines or Medicine Recommended:

Hepatitis A - Recommended for all unvaccinated people traveling to or working in countries with an intermediate or high level of hepatitis A virus infection where exposure might occur through food or water. Cases of travel-related hepatitis A can also occur in travelers to developing countries with "standard" tourist itineraries, accommodations, and food consumption behaviors.

Typhoid - Recommended for all unvaccinated people traveling to or working in the Caribbean, especially if staying with friends or relatives or visiting smaller cities, villages, or rural areas where exposure might occur through food or water.

Malaria – please visit the Center for Disease Control website (see below). Some participants choose to take anti-malaria pills, **others choose to use more natural methods to help prevent malaria (neem pills)**, while some just use common bug sprays and lotions. Please consult your doctor as to what will work best for you.

Additional Vaccine: (mainly for doctors/nurses – but can be taken by others for precautionary reasons)

Hepatitis B - Recommended for all unvaccinated persons traveling to or working in countries with intermediate to high levels of endemic HBV transmission, especially those who might be exposed to blood or body fluids, have sexual contact with the local population, or be exposed through medical treatment (e.g., for an accident).

Please go to <http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/haiti.aspx> for more detailed information.