

## How to book an appointment

Appointments can be booked at any of the  
Vaccination Service offices:

### ASIAGO

via Monte Sisemol, 2 - tel. 0424 885556 from Monday to  
Friday (from 09.00 am to 12.30 pm)

[asv.asiago@aulss7.veneto.it](mailto:asv.asiago@aulss7.veneto.it)

### BASSANO DEL GRAPPA

Via Cereria 15 - tel. 0424 885556 from Monday to Friday  
(from 09.00 am to 12.30 pm)

[asv.bassano@aulss7.veneto.it](mailto:asv.bassano@aulss7.veneto.it)

### MAROSTICA

Via Panica, 17 - tel. 0424 885556 from Monday to Friday  
(from 09.00 am to 12.30 pm)

[asv.marostica@aulss7.veneto.it](mailto:asv.marostica@aulss7.veneto.it)

### ROSÀ

Via Lepanto, 1 - tel. 0424 885556 from Monday to Friday  
(from 09.00 am to 12.30 pm) [asv.rosa@aulss7.veneto.it](mailto:asv.rosa@aulss7.veneto.it)

### SCHIO

Via San Camillo De Lellis, 1 - tel. 0445 598200 from  
Monday to Wednesday (from 9.00 am to 12.30 pm)

[vaccinazioni.schio@aulss7.veneto.it](mailto:vaccinazioni.schio@aulss7.veneto.it)

### THIENE

Via Boldrini, 1 - tel. 0445 388976 from Monday to  
Wednesday (from 9.00 am to 12.30 pm)

[vaccinazioni.thiene@aulss7.veneto.it](mailto:vaccinazioni.thiene@aulss7.veneto.it)



Hospital Services of Gynecology  
and Pediatrics  
Family Counselling Service  
Department of Prevention -  
Hygiene and Public Health Service

## Vaccines against pertussis and influenza are free for all pregnant women

For further information  
visit the following websites:

[https://www.aulss7.veneto.it/vaccinazioni-  
raccomandate-per-le-donne-in-età-fertile-e-in-  
gravidanza](https://www.aulss7.veneto.it/vaccinazioni-raccomandate-per-le-donne-in-età-fertile-e-in-gravidanza)



<http://www.salute.gov.it/portale/home.html>

Ministry of Health.

## MOM, protect your children



Vaccination against  
**PERTUSSIS** and  
**INFLUENZA** during  
pregnancy

# MOM, protect your children!

## Whooping cough

### How dangerous is it for babies and young children?

Whooping cough is a highly contagious infectious disease caused by a bacterium (*Bordetella pertussis*), it is most dangerous for children younger than 1 year old. It spreads through the air when a person sneezes, coughs or talks. The symptoms in adults and adolescents are mild, thus they can unknowingly infect infants who have not yet been vaccinated. In babies it often manifests with coughing fits and difficulty breathing, requiring hospitalization. In more serious cases, the disease can cause permanent damage or even death.

### How to prevent it?

.In Italy, the widespread dissemination of vaccines has greatly reduced the number of whooping cough cases, but the disease is still present. People who have had the disease or have been vaccinated are protected only for a few years, which means that they can become reinfected and spread the disease to others.

Babies can be protected from the disease during the first six months of life through the antibodies passed by the mother if she has been vaccinated during pregnancy. Therefore, vaccination is highly recommended for all pregnant women. It has been confirmed by numerous studies that the whooping cough vaccine is safe to get during pregnancy.

### When to get vaccinated?

The recommended timing for vaccination is between the 27th and 36th week of pregnancy, ideally during the 28th week.

It is given as a single injection of vaccine which also protects against diphtheria and tetanus. The vaccine is administered intramuscularly in the upper arm and is safe for both the mother and the unborn child. This is an inactivated vaccine, as it does not contain any live bacteria and cannot cause any of the diseases it protects against. The most common side effects are mild and temporary, like redness, swelling or pain where the shot is given in the arm.

## Influenza (Flu)

### Why it's important to get vaccinated?

Influenza is not a trivial disease for mothers or newborn babies. During pregnancy, it can lead to serious respiratory complications and even death, especially during the second and third trimester and the first month after giving birth.

Influenza or flu vaccination is the only prevention tool to protect babies during the first six months of life, when the risk of serious complications in case of illness is higher.

Trough maternal vaccination, antibodies are passed on to babies through the placenta. It be given safely during any stage of pregnancy.

### Where to get vaccinated?

Vaccines are available at all the vaccine clinics of the Public Health and Hygiene Service of the ULSS 7 Pedemontana, by appointment only. On the day of vaccination, it is necessary to bring the pregnancy packet.