

Raising Mom's Awareness. Reducing Baby's Risk.



Vaccines and Medications in Pregnancy Surveillance System (VAMPSS)

VAMPSS is a North American effort to collect and evaluate information on developing babies whose mothers receive antiviral medications, H1N1 vaccines, seasonal flu vaccines, and/or asthma medications during pregnancy.

Pregnant women who have received the seasonal influenza vaccine, the H1N1 vaccine, have taken any antiviral medications to prevent or treat the flu, and/or are taking asthma medications, and are interested in learning more, please contact:

OTIS: (877) 311-8972.

Participation includes:

- Between one and three phone interviews during pregnancy
- One phone interview after delivery
- Release of medical records relating to pregnancy

Patient information is kept confidential.



The Organization of Teratology Information Specialists (OTIS) is a non-profit organization made up of individual teratology information services located throughout the United States and Canada.

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A Collaboration of

American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology

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Slone Epidemiology Center at Boston University

What is VAMPSS?

The Vaccines and Medications in Pregnancy Surveillance System (VAMPSS) is a new nationwide post-marketing surveillance system established to comprehensively monitor the use and safety of vaccines and medications during pregnancy through the initial support of the U.S. Office of Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ).

How Does VAMPSS Work?

The VAMPSS system provides a coordinated effort involving both prospective registry surveillance and case-control surveillance to study the safety of exposures in pregnancy. VAMPSS for the first time establishes the infrastructure under the leadership of a national professional practice group, AAAAI, to bring together two complementary methods of surveillance, taking advantage of the benefits of both.

What Questions Can VAMPSS Help To Answer?

Using complementary approaches, VAMPSS evaluates risk or safety of pregnancy exposures with respect to a variety of pregnancy outcomes.

How Can Women and Health Care Providers Learn More About Medications and Vaccines Used in Pregnancy?

OTIS, which coordinates the prospective arm of VAMPSS, is a nation-wide service and research organization. Trained Specialists offer information and support to pregnant women who have concerns or questions about medications, vaccines or other agents that they have been or might be exposed to during pregnancy. Consultation is also provided for health care providers.

Contact a specialist at the OTIS toll-free number: **1-877-311-8972**