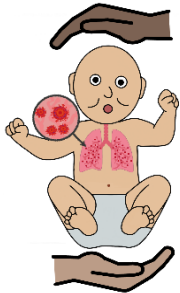


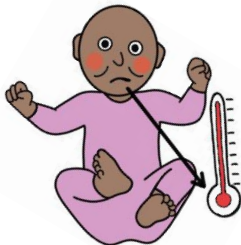
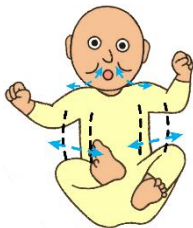


## Respiratory Syncytial Virus Vaccine



The Respiratory Syncytial Virus (**RSV**) vaccine helps **protect your baby** from RSV.

RSV is a **virus** that **affects the lungs** and how we **breathe**. It can cause a chest infection called **bronchiolitis**. This can **make your baby very poorly** and they may need to stay in hospital.



**RSV** is **spread** through **coughs and sneezes**. Symptoms of RSV are

- Your baby might find it **hard to breathe**
- Your baby might **not be hungry**
- Your baby might have a **cough**
- Your baby might **sleep more** than normal
- Your baby might have a **high temperature** above 38 degrees Celsius
- Your baby might have an **ear infection**



The RSV **vaccine** will give your baby the best **protection** from RSV.

This protection **passes** from you to your baby **through** your **placenta**.

## 28 weeks



The RSV vaccine is given from **28 weeks pregnant**.

The vaccine gives the **best protection** to your baby if it is given **before** you are **32 weeks** pregnant.

The vaccine can still be given until your baby is born.

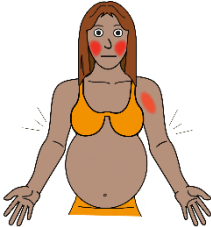
## Injection



The RSV vaccine is an **injection** given into your **arm**.

It is **recommended** every **pregnant** woman should have the vaccine in **every pregnancy**.

## possible side effects



**Side effects** from the vaccine are usually **not serious**.

Sometimes you can get a **lump** or **pain** where the injection was given, a **high temperature**, **headache**, feeling **tired** or **not feeling hungry**.

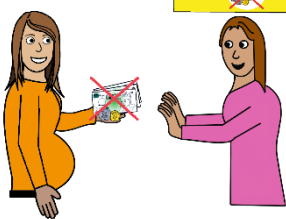
Not everyone gets side effects.

## safe



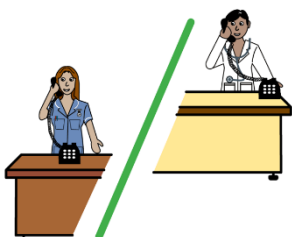
The RSV vaccine is **safe**.

free of charge



The RSV vaccine is **free**.

## phone your GP



It is important to be **protected** from serious disease.

**Ask your GP or Midwife** about the vaccine and to book an appointment.