BCG (Bacillus Calmette-Guerin) VACCINATION

Information for Patients

Objectives

- To protect against tuberculosis

Precautions

- Children should not be vaccinated if they have a history of fever, convulsions, or if they are breastfeeding
- Pregnant women should not receive the vaccine

Preparation

- The vaccine should be administered within 6 months of birth

Side Effects

- The injection site may become紅色, painful, or swollen
- Rarely, there may be a localized reaction at the injection site

Follow-up

- A Mantoux test should be performed 8-12 weeks after vaccination to confirm immunity

Resources

- World Health Organization - http://www.who.int
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - http://www.cdc.gov

For more information, contact the nearest healthcare provider or visit the above websites.
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References:

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