



# Marion County Public Health Department

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## Free Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and whooping cough) vaccinations for moms and families

Marion County Public Health is proudly teaming up with AmeriCares® and Sanofi Pasteur to help prevent the spread of pertussis (whooping cough) by ensuring that more mothers and families in need across Marion County have access to immunization with Adacel vaccine, a Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) booster

Family size	200%	200%
	Monthly	Yearly
1	\$1815	\$21780
2	\$2451	\$29420
3	\$3088	\$37060
4	\$3725	\$44700
5	\$4361	\$52340
6	\$4998	\$59980
7	\$5635	\$67620
8	\$6271	\$75260
Over 8 add→ for each	\$636	\$7640

Family members, especially mothers, are a primary source of pertussis in infants because adults who have whooping cough don't have the typical signs and symptoms and may be unaware they have it. Through the G.I.F.T. (Give Immunity Fight Transmission) program, Marion County Public Health can potentially immunize more families at no charge if they meet the income guidelines of 200% or less of the poverty level. (See table for financial guidelines.)

Whooping cough — known medically as pertussis — is a highly contagious respiratory tract infection. Although it initially resembles an ordinary cold, whooping cough may eventually turn more serious, particularly in infants. Whooping cough is most contagious before the coughing starts. The best way to prevent it is through vaccinations. To obtain more information call Marion County Public Health at 641-828-2238 ext. 222