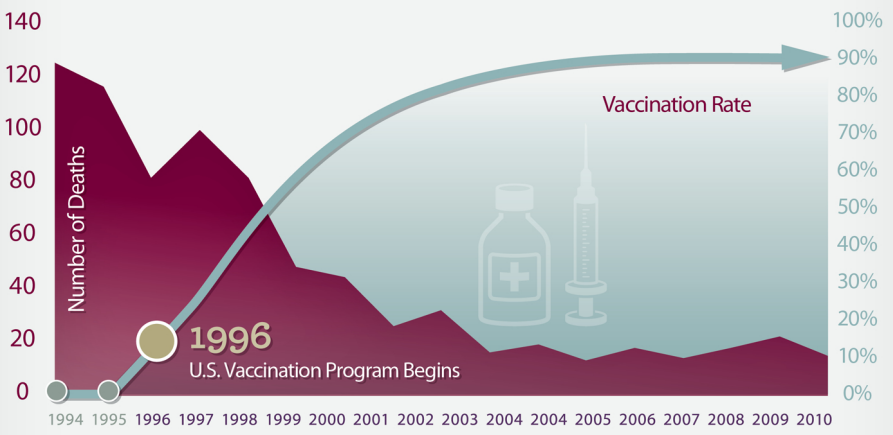
CHICKENPOX VACCINE SAVES LIVES *and* PREVENTS SERIOUS ILLNESS

Chickenpox-related deaths in the U.S. have decreased dramatically



BEFORE U.S. VACCINATION BEGAN

Chickenpox caused more than

100 Deaths

every year

Chickenpox caused

More than 10,000

hospitalizations every year

More than

4 million people

got chickenpox every year

SINCE U.S. VACCINATION BEGAN *

90%

decrease in

Deaths

meaning fewer than

20 people

die from Chickenpox every year

84%

fewer hospitalizations, meaning fewer than

1,700

people are hospitalized for chickenpox every year

92%

fewer cases means fewer than

350,000

people get chickenpox every year

* after 15 years of vaccination

Two doses of vaccine are needed to protect against chickenpox.

Find out more about chickenpox at: http://www.cdc.gov/chickenpox/

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