The evolution of polio immunization—one of the greatest medical success stories in US history

The earliest record of typical signs of paralytic poliomyelitis is from an Egyptian hieroglyph dating from around 3700 BC.1

1921 FDR contracts polio
Franklin Delano Roosevelt, one of polio's most famous victims, contracts the disease in the summer of 1921.2

1955 The first polio vaccine
The Salk inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) reduces paralytic polio cases by 90% in the US.3

1961 The oral polio vaccine
The Sabin oral polio vaccine (OPV) eradicates natural or "wild-type polio" in the US by 1979, and in the Western Hemisphere by 1991.3

1991 The enhanced-potency polio vaccine
An enhanced polio vaccine (e-IPV) joins the fight against polio. It is more potent than the original Salk IPV.3

1996 IPV-OPV fight polio together
Rarely, OPV itself may cause vaccine-associated paralytic polio (VAPP). To prevent this, e-IPV was reintroduced in the US and used in a sequential polio vaccination schedule.3

2000 All-IPV recommended schedule
e-IPV is used exclusively for all 4 doses of the polio vaccination series and VAPP is eliminated in the US.3,5

2005 Today and tomorrow—the one you can trust
The use of e-IPV for all 4 doses of the polio vaccination series continues to provide protection against polio.3,5

Talk to your health-care provider about IPOL® (Poliovirus Vaccine Inactivated) and make sure your child is vaccinated.

Safety Information
IPOL vaccine is indicated for the active immunization of infants (as young as 6 weeks of age), children, and adults for the prevention of poliomyelitis caused by poliovirus Types 1, 2, and 3. Local and systemic adverse reactions may include fever, irritability, drowsiness, anorexia, and crying. Other local and systemic adverse reactions may occur. IPOL vaccine is contraindicated in persons with a history of hypersensitivity to any component of the vaccine. As with any vaccine, vaccination with IPOL vaccine may not protect 100% of individuals.

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