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Subject: Varicella and MMR interval

We just had a question come in from a practice: Varicella was given at one visit and an MMR was given 3 weeks later. Should both vaccines be given again or just the MMR?

Thank you!

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From: "NIPINFO (CDC)" <NIPINFO@cdc.gov>

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To: Jennifer Tinney <jennifert@tapi.org>

Subject: RE: Varicella and MMR interval

Hello and thank you for reaching out to NIP-INFO.

Below is pasted from the ACIP General Best Practice Recommendations, which answers your question:

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/general-recs/index.html>

Two or more injectable or nasally administered live vaccines not administered on the same day should be separated by at least 4 weeks (Table 3-3), to minimize the potential risk for interference. If 2 such vaccines are separated by <4 weeks, the second vaccine administered should not be counted and the dose should be repeated at least 4 weeks later. On the day a live injectable or intranasal vaccine will be administered, providers should ensure that no live injectable or intranasal vaccine was given in the previous 28 days.

Sincerely,
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