Why Get the shot? To prevent problems:

Tetanus (Lockjaw) - Your muscles tighten up in your body so it is hard to swallow and breathe

Diphtheria - The back of your throat gets coated which makes it hard to breath

RISKS

With any medicine or shot there is a chance of side effects.

- Pain, redness or swelling where the shot was given
- Headache or tiredness
- Fever
- Unable to do usual activities
- Severe pain swelling, bleeding or redness where the shot was given

When to get the shot

This shot is given as a booster every 10 years after your Tdap shot

If you have a burn or wound that is dirty

Do NOT get the shot if:

You have a seizure or coma with 7 days of getting a childhood dose

You ever had a rash or trouble breathing after this shot

If you have ever had Guillian Barre Syndrome - also called French Polio

If there is a serious problem:

1. CALL 9-1-1

2. Report to the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program 1-800-822-7967

How can I Learn More?

1. Ask your doctor for more information
2. Call the local health department (Polk County Health Department - 715-485-8500)
3. Call the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) - 1-800-232-4636 or visit www.cdc.gov/vaccines