

# Do you qualify for the Hepatitis B Birth Dose Honor Roll? If so, apply today.

The Immunization Action Coalition (IAC) is recognizing hospitals and birthing centers that have attained 90% or greater coverage rates for administering hepatitis B vaccine at birth and have met specific additional criteria. These criteria define the important elements of written birth dose policies aimed at protecting newborns, including when medical errors occur.

## Criteria for Inclusion into the Honor Roll

To be included in IAC's Hepatitis B Birth Dose Honor Roll, a birthing institution must have:

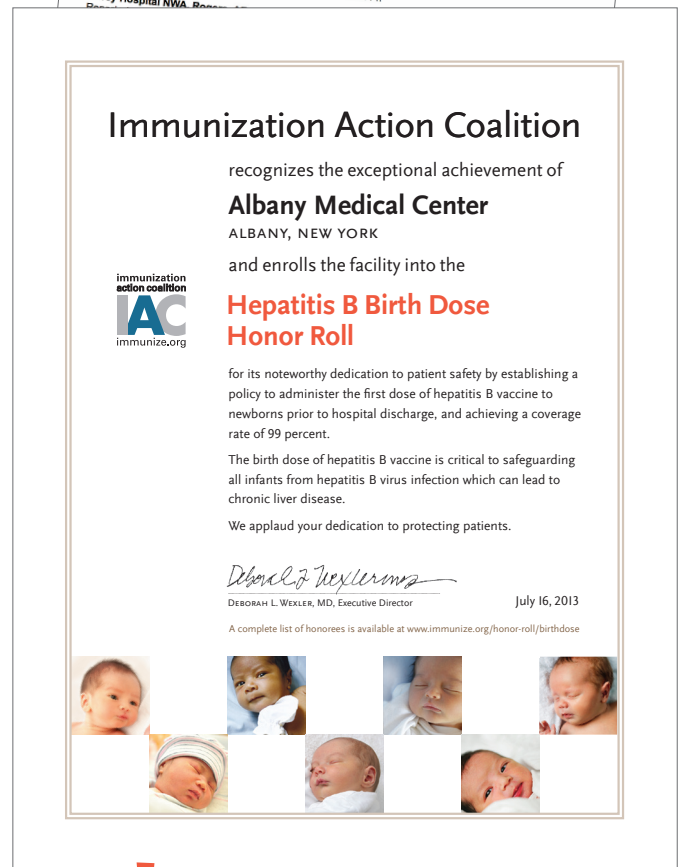
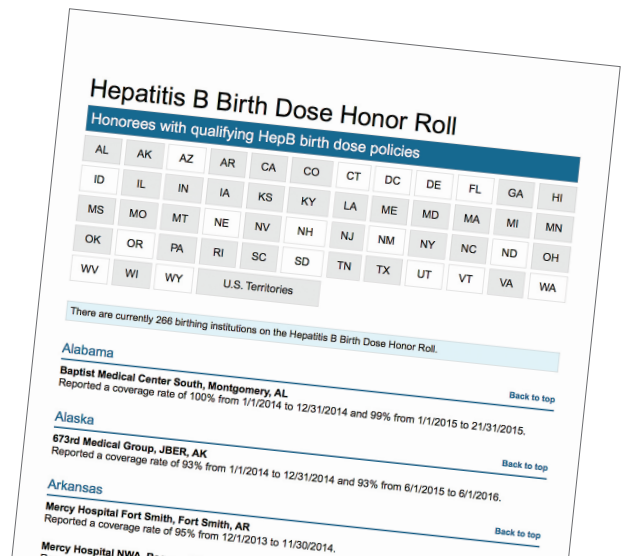
- Achieved, over a 12-month period, a coverage rate of 90% or greater for administering hepatitis B vaccine before hospital discharge to all newborns (regardless of weight), including those whose parents refuse vaccination, and
- Implemented certain written policies, procedures, and protocols to protect all newborns from hepatitis B virus infection prior to hospital discharge.

To apply for the Birth Dose Honor Roll, visit

[www.immunize.org/honor-roll/birthdose](http://www.immunize.org/honor-roll/birthdose)

## Benefits

- Inclusion in online Honor Roll
- Announcement of achievement in nation's largest immunization e-newsletter, *IAC Express*, sent to approximately 50,000 subscribers
- Receipt of beautiful 8.5" x 11" color award certificate suitable for framing
- Peer recognition in the immunization community



## The universal hepatitis B vaccine birth dose is supported by leading health organizations

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- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
- American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)