

# A B C D E F G Children's Health

## Giving Immunization A Shot

(NAPSA)—With school systems across the nation getting tougher about insisting that students be immunized, parents have an even greater incentive to learn how best to protect their kids from measles, mumps, polio and other dangerous diseases.



**New anesthetics can make children's immunizations less painful—and scary.**

Immunization is one of the most effective ways of preventing disease. Prior to widespread immunization in the U.S., infectious disease killed or disabled thousands each year.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends vaccinations through the first 18 years, and many school systems require a full course of shots as well.

Yet some parents are afraid shots will hurt. However, doctors now use products such as Gebauer's Ethyl Chloride Topical Skin Refrigerant to keep immunizations from being painful.

Just before giving the injection, a doctor or nurse can spray the product directly on the child's skin, cooling and numbing the area. This can help ease anxiety for both the parent and child. The anesthetic wears off in about two minutes with virtually no side effects.

For more information on making shots less scary, call 1-800-321-9348 or visit the Web site [www.gebauerco.com](http://www.gebauerco.com).