

# Tarrant County Public Health 17P Prematurity Prevention



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17P is an injection of progesterone (a naturally-occurring hormone) medication that can help delay having your baby too soon.

*The greatest risk for giving birth to a baby too soon is if you have already had a baby that was premature!*

## You may be eligible for the 17P medication if:

1. You've been diagnosed with a history of a premature birth between 20 - 36 weeks gestation, AND
2. You are pregnant with ONE baby.

## When should 17P be started?

You should start your treatment between 16 - 20 weeks. In case you started prenatal care late, shots may be started up to 23 weeks. You will be given WEEKLY shots until you are 36 weeks pregnant.

## Is 17P safe for the baby?

Studies have shown 17P to be safe and it does not increase risk for birth defects.

**Remember: Ask your health care provider about 17P.**

We invite you to participate in the Tarrant County 17P Program because you could benefit from getting the 17P shots while you are pregnant.

We would like to give you a call about your 17P care. We can help you remember to make appointments, find transportation or other related issues. You will also receive a gift for your participation.

**Please fill out the information below and return to your provider  
OR fax to 817-850-2369:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Medicaid/CHIP#: \_\_\_\_\_

Race/Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Due date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# : \_\_\_\_\_ Best day/time to call: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*My signature indicates permission to share this information and any updates (if applicable) with the 17P Program. I understand that my decision to share or not to share does not affect my WIC or healthcare provider benefits.*

**For more information, contact Tarrant County Public Health's Prematurity Prevention staff at 817-321-4717 or e-mail: 17P@tarrantcounty.com**

