PERTUSSIS (WHOOPING COUGH) IS IN ALABAMA
PROTECT YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

WHAT IS WHOOPING COUGH?
Whooping cough – or pertussis – is a very serious respiratory (in the lungs and breathing tubes) infection caused by the pertussis bacteria. It causes violent coughing you can’t stop. Whooping cough is most harmful for young babies and can be deadly.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF WHOOPING COUGH?
Early symptoms can last for 1 to 2 weeks and usually include
- Runny nose
- Low-grade fever
- Mild, occasional cough
- Apnea - a pause in breathing (in babies)

CONTACT YOUR LOCAL HEALTH CARE PROVIDER TO GET VACCINATED AND FOR TREATMENT.
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