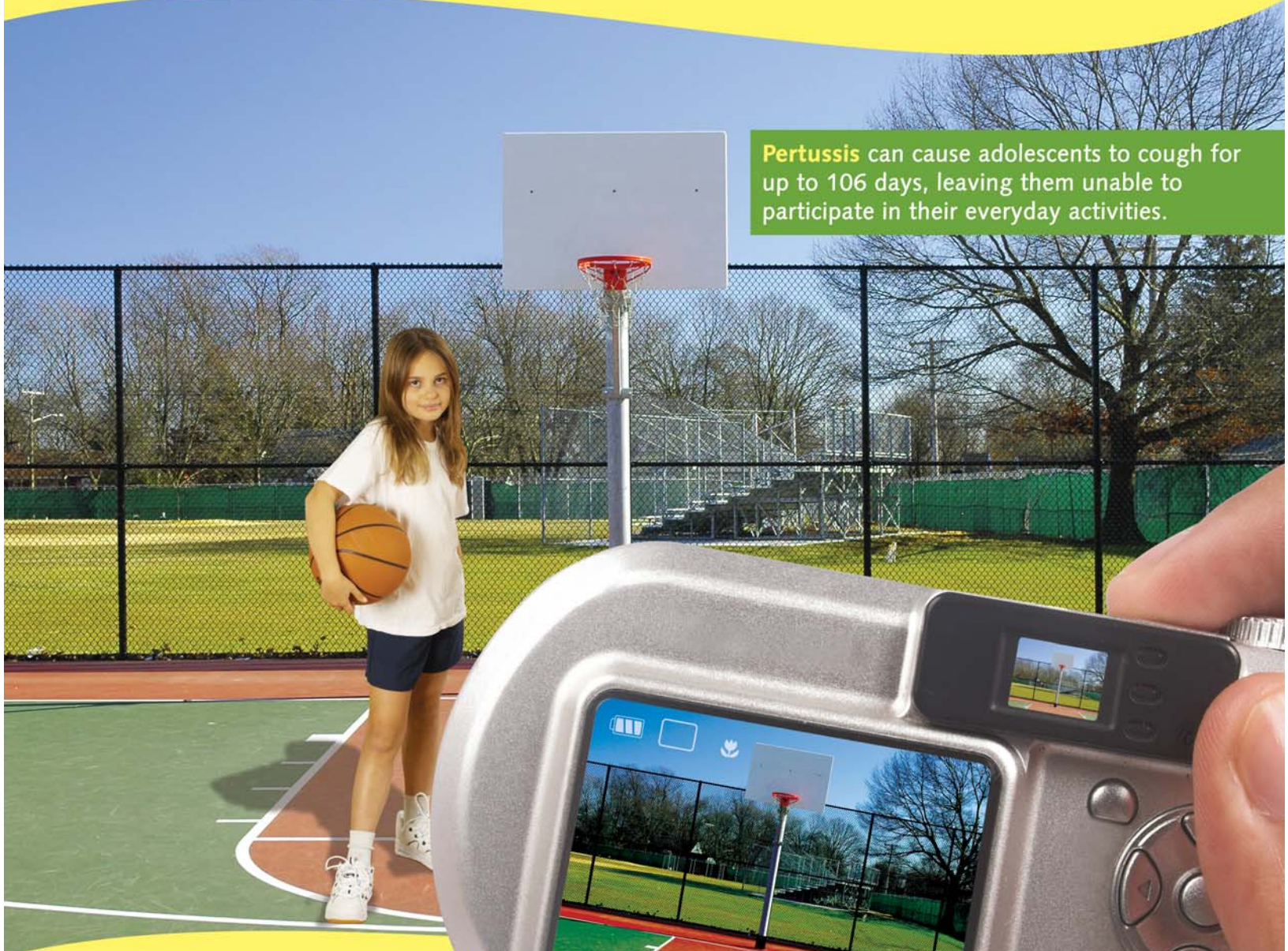


# Don't let Pertussis keep them out of play!

**Pertussis** can cause adolescents to cough for up to 106 days, leaving them unable to participate in their everyday activities.



## Make the decision that will protect your family!

Pertussis (Whooping Cough) is a highly contagious disease, which is spread through the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It starts like a common cold without the fever, but symptoms get worse.

Recent pertussis outbreaks make adolescents one of the most vulnerable age groups, and Colorado one of the four states in the U.S with the highest number of cases.

Although pertussis is the only disease on the rise that can be prevented through vaccination, immunization wears off by the age of 10. That's why the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends a booster for all adolescents 10 -19 years of age.

**Get them vaccinated! Ask your doctor for  
the Tdap vaccine.**



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