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Health Protection



Routine childhood immunisations

| When to immunise | Diseases protected against | Vaccine given | Immunisation site* |
|---|---|---|---------------------|
| Two months old | Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, meningitis (bacterial type B) and hepatitis B (a, b, c) [†] | DTaP (DTaP) (a, b) (a, b) (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) | Thigh |
| | Rotavirus | Rotarix (Rotarix) | By mouth |
| | Meningococcal group B disease (MenB) | MenB (MenB) | Left thigh |
| Three months old | Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, Hib and hepatitis B (a, b, c) [†] | DTaP (DTaP) (a, b) (a, b) (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) | Thigh |
| | Pneumococcal disease | PCV (Prevenar 12) | Thigh |
| | Rotavirus | Rotarix (Rotarix) | By mouth |
| Four months old | Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, Hib and hepatitis B (a, b, c) [†] | DTaP (DTaP) (a, b) (a, b) (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) | Thigh |
| | Meningococcal group B disease (MenB) | MenB (MenB) | Left thigh |
| | Measles, mumps and rubella (German measles) | MMR (Mumps or MMR) (a, b) (c) [†] | Upper arm or thigh |
| Between 12 and 13 months old – within a month of the first birthday | Pneumococcal disease | PCV (Prevenar 12) | Upper arm or thigh |
| | Hib/Meningococcal group C disease (MenC) | Hib/MenC (Menomax) | Upper arm or thigh |
| | Meningococcal group B disease (MenB) | MenB (MenB) | Left thigh |
| | Measles, mumps and rubella | MMR (Mumps or MMR) (a, b) (c) [†] (check first dose has been given) | Upper arm |
| Every year from 2 years old up to and including 11/12 | Influenza (from September) | Fu nasal spray (Fluarix form) (annual) [†] (if Fluax unavailable, use inactivated flu vaccine) | Neck or (Upper arm) |
| Three years four months old or over after | Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and polio | dTaP (DTaP) (a, b) (a, b) (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) | Upper arm |
| | Measles, mumps and rubella | MMR (Mumps or MMR) (a, b) (c) [†] (check first dose has been given) | Upper arm |
| Girls and boys aged 12 to 13 years | Cervical cancer, human papillomavirus including cervical cancer (in girls) and cancers of the mouth, throat, anus and genital (in boys and girls) and genital warts | HPV (Gardasil 9) (one dose) | Upper arm |
| Around 10 years old | Tetanus, diphtheria and polio | Td/IPV (Boostrix), and check MMR status | Upper arm |
| | Meningococcal groups A/CWY disease (MenACWY) | MenACWY (MenQuadri or Menomax) [†] | Upper arm |

Immunisations for at-risk children

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| At birth, 1 month old, and 12 months old | Hepatitis B | HepB (Engix B or Hibead) [†] (2) | Thigh |
| At birth | Tuberculosis | Bacillus Calmette Guérin (BCG) vaccine | Upper arm (intradermal) |
| Six months to 10 years | Influenza | Inactivated flu vaccine | Upper arm or thigh |
| Over two up to less than 18 years | Influenza | Fu nasal spray (Fluarix form) [†] (if Fluax unavailable, use inactivated flu vaccine) | Neck or (Upper arm) |

* Where two or more injections are required at once, these should ideally be given in different limbs. Where this is not possible, injections in the same limb should be given 20mm apart. For more details see Chapters 4 and 11 in the Green Book. All vaccines are given intramuscularly unless otherwise stated.

[†] Where two or more products to protect against the same disease are available, it may, on occasion, be necessary to substitute an alternative brand. Consult product guidelines.



This poster is distributed to health professionals for use in areas such as treatment rooms to act as a quick reference guide to the childhood immunisation schedule.

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