

The Childhood and Maternal Immunisation Schedule - 2026

VACCINE	AGE								
	2 months	4 months	6 months	12 months	18 months	4 years	10-12 years	14 years	17 years
Hexavalent	Hepatitis B	Hep B	Hep B	Hep B		Hep B			
	Diphtheria, Tetanus, acellular Pertussis	DTaP	DTaP	DTaP		DTaP Booster 1	DTaP Booster 2		Tdap
	Inactivated Polio	IPV	IPV	IPV		IPV	IPV		
	Haemophilus Influenza Type b	Hib	Hib	Hib		Hib			
Rotavirus (oral)	RV	RV							
Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine	PCV		PCV						
Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR)				MMR	MMR				
Varicella (Chickenpox)				Varicella		Varicella (3-4 yrs)			
Human Papillomavirus							HPV		
Meningococcal group B								MenB [±]	
Meningococcal group C (ACYWX*)								MenC	MenC Booster

Optional vaccines for high-risk children

Influenza-Yearly			6 months & older						
COVID-19-Yearly			6 months & older						

BCG is available upon request | * Or MenC (ACYW) depending on availability | ± Second dose of MenB to be given 2-6 months after the first dose

Pregnancy Immunisation Schedule - 2026

VACCINE	WHEN
COVID-19	First trimester (first booking)
Influenza	First trimester (first booking)
Tdap	Third trimester
RSV	Third trimester

Protect your Children from Serious Disease

Immunisation is the process whereby a person is made immune or resistant to an infectious disease, typically by the administration of a vaccine. Vaccines stimulate the body's own immune system to protect the person against subsequent infection or disease. (WHO, 2025)

Vaccination is an act of Love

Hepatitis B Vaccine. Protects against a serious liver disease caused by hepatitis B virus.

Rotavirus Vaccine. Protects against severe vomiting, diarrhoea and dehydration caused by Rotavirus.

BCG Vaccine. Protects against tuberculosis – an infection usually of the lungs. However, tuberculosis can affect other areas of the body.

DTaP Vaccine. Protects against diphtheria (a serious throat infection), tetanus (lockjaw) and pertussis (whooping cough).

Hib Vaccine. Protects against Haemophilus influenzae type b disease which can cause serious infections of the brain, spinal cord, blood and other organs.

Polio Vaccine. Protects against polio – a paralytic disease.

Pneumococcal Vaccine. Protects against serious infections such as meningitis, blood poisoning and ear infections caused by pneumococcal bacteria.

MMR Vaccine. Protects against measles, mumps and rubella (German measles).

Varicella Vaccine. Protects against chickenpox.

Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (Gardasil) 9. Protects against diseases caused by 9 HPV types. These diseases include pre-cancerous lesions, cancers and genital warts in males and females. HPV vaccines are offered in schools, Public Health Department clinics, and private doctors' offices.

To ensure your child(ren) get all the vaccines they need, take them to a **District Health Centre, Public Health Clinic or private paediatrician** when they are:

2 months	4 months	6 months	12 months	18 months
3-4 years	10-12 years	14 years	17 years	

Optional Vaccines for high risk children (BCG)

Children defined as having a high risk of exposure will include the following:

Infants and children (aged zero to sixteen years) who were born in or have lived for at least three months in a country with an annual TB incidence of 40/100,000 or greater.

Infants and children (aged zero to sixteen years) with a parent or grandparent who was born in a country with an annual TB incidence of 40/100,000 or greater.

Infants and children (aged zero to sixteen years) who live in a household or otherwise have had close contact with a person who has tested positive for pulmonary or laryngeal TB.

Helpful Vaccination Information

Rotavirus Vaccine is given orally (by mouth).

All other vaccines are given by injection.

Hep B, DTaP, IPV and Hib Vaccines are given in one injection. Booster 2 minimum age 4 years.

MMR Vaccine

- Minimum age for 1st dose: 12 months.

Minimum interval from dose 1 to dose 2 is 4 weeks.

Varicella Vaccine

- Minimum age for 1st dose: 12 months, the 2nd dose may be administered before age 4 provided at least 3 months have elapsed since the first dose.

HPV Vaccine

- Males and Females year 7-12. One dose schedule.

