

RECOMMENDED IMMUNISATIONS FOR CHILDREN

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There is a standardised course of immunisations for children, including booster shots. It is important that the full course is completed, including boosters later on, to ensure continuing strong protection. A delay in receiving any vaccination can make a child unnecessarily vulnerable to infection.

Age Due	DTaP-IPV	Hib-HepB	MeNZB ¹	Hib	HepB	MMR	dTap-IPV	Influenza ³
6 weeks	✓	✓	✓					
3 months	✓	✓	✓					
5 months	✓		✓		✓			
10 months			✓					
15 months				✓		✓		
4 years	✓					✓		
11 years							✓ ²	

KEY: Vaccine Key Inactivated polio vaccine (IPV); diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis (DTaP) – child, (dTap) – adolescent/adult; *Haemophilus influenzae* type b (Hib); hepatitis B (Hep B); meningococcal B (MeNZB); measles, mumps, rubella (MMR); tetanus, diphtheria – adult (Td); tuberculosis (BCG)

*Pertussis is commonly known as whooping cough.

¹ MeNZB™ will continue to be recommended for everyone under 5 years of age until there is clinical evidence to warrant cessation.

² Polio vaccine for those who have not yet had 4 documented doses of polio vaccine.

³ Influenza vaccination for adults and children from 6 months old with certain chronic medical conditions – see Immunisation Handbook (Ministry of Health).

Note: These childhood vaccines are prescription medicines and provided *free of charge* by healthcare professionals.