



# National Immunisation Program Schedule

From November 2016

IMMUNISATION

Child programs	
Age	Vaccine
<b>Birth</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hepatitis B (hepB)<sup>a</sup></li> </ul>
<b>2 months</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hepatitis B, diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis (whooping cough), <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b, inactivated poliomyelitis (polio) (hepB-DTPa-Hib-IPV)</li> <li>Pneumococcal conjugate (13vPCV)</li> <li>Rotavirus</li> </ul>
<b>4 months</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hepatitis B, diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis (whooping cough), <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b, inactivated poliomyelitis (polio) (hepB-DTPa-Hib-IPV)</li> <li>Pneumococcal conjugate (13vPCV)</li> <li>Rotavirus</li> </ul>
<b>6 months</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hepatitis B, diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis (whooping cough), <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b, inactivated poliomyelitis (polio) (hepB-DTPa-Hib-IPV)</li> <li>Pneumococcal conjugate (13vPCV)</li> <li>Rotavirus<sup>b</sup></li> </ul>
<b>12 months</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b and meningococcal C (Hib-MenC)</li> <li>Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR)</li> </ul>
<b>18 months</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) (DTPa)</li> <li>Measles, mumps, rubella and varicella (chickenpox) (MMRV)</li> </ul>
<b>4 years</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis (whooping cough) and inactivated poliomyelitis (polio) (DTPa-IPV)</li> </ul>
School programs	
<b>10–15 years</b> (contact your State or Territory Health Department for details)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Varicella (chickenpox)<sup>c</sup></li> <li>Human papillomavirus (HPV)<sup>d</sup></li> <li>Diphtheria, tetanus and acellular pertussis (whooping cough) (dTpa)</li> </ul>
At-risk groups	
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders	
<b>12–18 months</b> (in high risk areas) <sup>e</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pneumococcal conjugate (13vPCV)</li> </ul>
<b>12–24 months</b> (in high risk areas) <sup>f</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hepatitis A</li> </ul>
<b>6 months to less than 5 years</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Influenza (flu)</li> </ul>
<b>15 years and over</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Influenza (flu)</li> <li>Pneumococcal polysaccharide (23vPPV) (medically at risk)</li> </ul>
<b>50 years and over</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pneumococcal polysaccharide (23vPPV)</li> </ul>
Other at-risk groups	
<b>6 months and over</b> (people with medical conditions placing them at risk of serious complications of influenza)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Influenza (flu)</li> </ul>
<b>12 months</b> (medically at risk) <sup>g</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pneumococcal conjugate (13vPCV)</li> </ul>
<b>4 years</b> (medically at risk) <sup>g</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pneumococcal polysaccharide (23vPPV)</li> </ul>
<b>Pregnant women</b> (at any stage of pregnancy)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Influenza (flu)</li> </ul>
<b>65 years and over</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Influenza (flu)</li> <li>Pneumococcal polysaccharide (23vPPV)</li> </ul>
<b>70 years</b> (a free single catch-up dose is available for adults aged <b>71–79 years</b> until 31 October 2021)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Herpes Zoster (shingles)</li> </ul>

\* Please refer to reverse for footnotes

### Footnotes to the National Immunisation Program (NIP) Schedule

- a. Hepatitis B vaccine: should be given to all infants as soon as practicable after birth. The greatest benefit is if given within 24 hours, and must be given within 7 days.
- b. Rotavirus vaccine: third dose of vaccine is dependent on vaccine brand used. Contact your State or Territory Health Department for details.
- c. Varicella vaccine: contact your State or Territory Health Department for details on the school grade eligible for vaccination.
- d. HPV vaccine: is for all adolescents aged between 12 and 13 years. Contact your State or Territory Health Department for details on the school grade eligible for vaccination.
- e. Pneumococcal vaccine:
  - i. Medically at risk children require a fourth dose of 13vPCV at 12 months of age and a booster dose of 23vPPV at 4 years of age.
  - ii. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children require a fourth dose of pneumococcal vaccine (13vPCV) at 12-18 months of age for children living in high risk areas (Queensland, Northern Territory, Western Australia and South Australia). Contact your State or Territory Health Department for details.
- f. Hepatitis A vaccine: two doses of Hepatitis A vaccine for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children living in high risk areas (Queensland, Northern Territory, Western Australia and South Australia). Contact your State or Territory Health Department for details.

### Further information

Further information and immunisation resources are available from the Immunise Australia Program website at [www.immunise.health.gov.au](http://www.immunise.health.gov.au) or by contacting the infoline on **1800 671 811**.

You should contact your State or Territory Health Department for further information on the program specific to your State or Territory:

State/Territory	Contact Number
Australian Capital Territory	(02) 6205 2300
New South Wales	1300 066 055
Northern Territory	(08) 8922 8044
Queensland	13 HEALTH (13 4325 84)
South Australia	1300 232 272
Tasmania	1800 671 738
Victoria	1300 882 008
Western Australia	(08) 9321 1312



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