Deviations from Schedule

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Immunisation Schedule



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Hot Topic

All at risk urged to get the flu vaccine High uptake of HPV vaccine Increase in cases of Whooping Cough (pertussis) Click on the link to view

Immunisation Guidelines for Ireland













IMMUNISATION SCHEDULE FOR LATE ENTRANTS

In the absence of reliable information /documentation to the contrary, children should be assumed to be un-immunised and started on a catch-up programme.

Accelerated Primary Immunisation

Accelerated primary immunisation is recommended for children who were not immunised in the first year of life. The schedules below reflect the childhood vaccines currently recommended in Ireland

Children aged 4 months to <12 months of age

- 1 dose of BCG
- 3 doses of 6 in 1 (DTaP/IPV/Hib/Hep B) at 2 month intervals
- 2 doses of Men C at 2 month intervals
- 2 doses of PCV at 2 month intervals

Continue with routine childhood immunisations from 12 months of age.

Children aged 12 months to <4 yrs of age

- 1 dose of BCG
- 3 doses of 6 in 1 (DTaP/IPV/Hib/Hep B) at 2 month intervals
- 1 dose of Men C
- 1 dose of PCV (omit if >2 years of age)
- 1 dose of MMR

Continue with routine school immunisations from 4 years of age

- Booster DTaP/IPV at least 3 years after the primary course
- Second MMR at least one month after the first dose (see below)

Children aged 4 - <10 years of age

- 1 dose of BCG
- 3 doses of 6 in 1 (DTaP/IPV/Hib/HepB) at 2 month intervals
- 2 doses of MMR separated by at least one month.
- 1 dose of Men C

Continue with routine school immunisations from 10 years of age

Booster of DTaP/IPV at least 3 years after the primary course

Children aged 10 years and older and adults:

1 dose of BCG (up to 15 years of age if in low risk group or 35 years of age if in specified high risk group, see chapter 16)

3 doses of Tdap/ IPV at 1 month intervals

2 doses of MMR separated by at least one month

1 dose of Men C (up to 23 years of age).

Booster doses of Tdap/IPV 5 years after the primary course and Tdap 10 years later.

HPV as per Immunisation Guidelines, 2008, updated 2010

IMMUNISATION SCHEDULE FOR LATE ENTRANTS AUGUST 2010 UPDATE 4 months to <12 months 12 months to < 4 years 4 - <10 years 10 years and over BCG 1 dose 1 dose 1 dose 1 dose (up to 15 years of age if in low risk group or 35 years of age if in specified high risk group) 6 in 1 3 doses 3 doses 3 doses (DTaP/IPV/Hib1/Hep B) at 2 month intervals at 2 month intervals at 2 month intervals Men C 2 doses 1 dose 1 dose 1 dose at 2 month intervals (up to 23 years of age) PCV² 2 doses 1 dose at 2 month intervals (omit if >2 years of age) MMR³ 1 dose 2 doses 2 doses at 1 month intervals at 1 month intervals Tdap/IPV 3 doses at 1 month intervals NOTE Continue with routine Continue with routine Continue with Boosters of childhood immunisation school immunisations Tdap/IPV 5 years routine school schedule from 12 months. [4 in 1 (DTaP/IPV) at after primary immunisations least 6 months and [4 in 1 (DTaP/IPV) at course and Tdap preferably 3 years after least 6 months and 10 years later primary course, MMR at preferably 3 years least 1 month after after primary previous dose] course]

¹ One dose of single Hib vaccine may be given to children over 12 months of age and up to 10 years of age if this is the only vaccine they require

² PCV vaccine should be given to at risk children aged 24-59 months. For schedule for children at risk see detailed recommendations in Immunisation Guidelines

³ The second dose of MMR is recommended routinely at 4-5 years but may be administered earlier. Children vaccinated before their first birthday in the case of an outbreak should have a repeat MMR vaccination at 12 months of age, at least one month after the first vaccine with a further dose at 4-5 years of age. If a child aged <18 months receives a second MMR vaccine within 3 months of the first MMR a third MMR should be given at 4-5yrs of age.

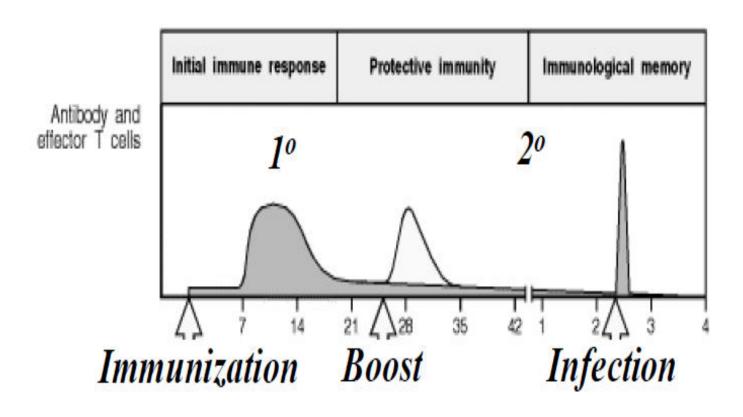
General Issues

- Accelerated Primary Schedule recommended for children not immunised in 1st year of life.
- 6in1, MenC & MMR can be given at the same visit minimum 2.5cms apart
- Always give completed hand held record
- If serious local ADR, assess before additional doses of that vaccine are given
- Adverse reactions should be notified to IMB

Gaps between each dose of vaccine

- To allow each immune response to develop e.g primary immunisation (1 month)
 - This allows the next response to be a true secondary response – faster, bigger and with higher affinity IgG
- To avoid immune interference
 - If another live vaccine is given while the immune system is making a primary immune response, activation of innate immune system may neutralise the second live vaccine. Hence, wait 4 weeks to allow the immune system to recover.

Immune Response









European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

Vaccine Schedule

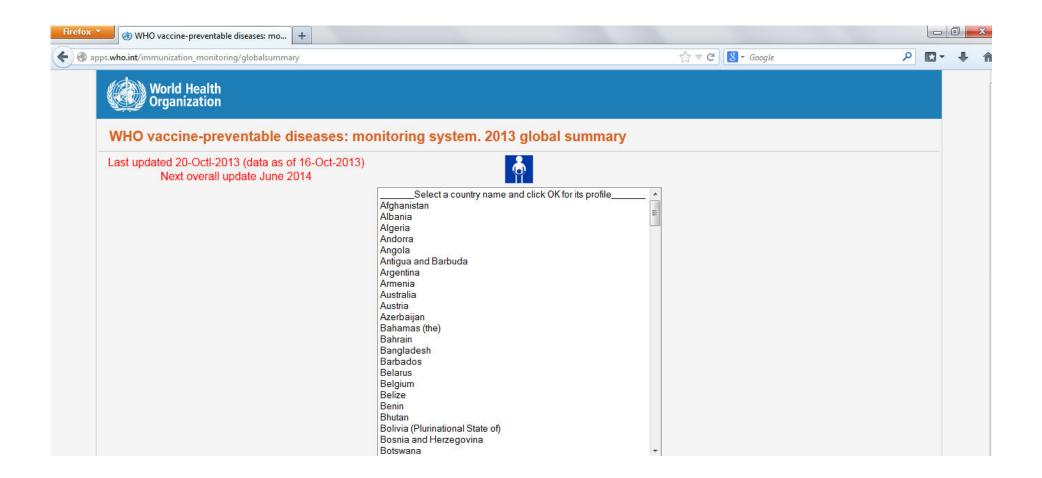
ECDC collects information on vaccination schedules in the EU/EEA countries with the help of ECDC national focal points. This tool allows for comparison of shedules between two countries and diseases for all or a selection of countries.

Due to possible delays in updating the platform it is suggested that the official source of the national immunisation schedules from the national competent bodies be consulted.

National vaccination schedules are subject to change. Please feel free to inform us of such changes to the Vaccine Preventable Disease Programme at: vpd@ecdc.europa.eu. All general enquiries can be sent to info@ecdc.europa.eu.

This tool was developed by the European Centre Disease Prevention and Control with the Groupe d'Etudes en Preventologie.

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Distribution of the estimated deaths among children under 5 years of age, from diseases that are preventable by vaccination in 2008:

Hib: 199 000

Pertussis: 195 000
Measles: 118 000

Neonatal tetanus: 59 000

Tetanus (non-neonatal): 2 000

Pneumococcal disease: 476 000

Rotavirus: 453 000

Total and vaccine preventable diseases cause specific deaths, children under age 5, by WHO region, 2008

	All cause	Pneumococcal diseases	Rotavirus diarrhea	Hib	Pertussis	Measles	Tetanus
AFR	4,202,000	247,000	217,000	94,000	84,000	25,000	27,000
AMR	284,000	13,000	8,000	1,000	2,000	7	1,000
EMR	1,237,000	68,000	90,000	32,000	19,000	7,000	14,000
EUR	148,000	7,000	3,000	3,000			350
SEAR	2,390,000	107,000	127,000	52,000	90,000	84,000	17,000
WPR	534,000	33,000	8,000	17,000	1,000	2,000	4,000
Total	8,795,000	476,000	453,000	199,000	195,000	118,000	63,000

Suggested rules for Catch-up

- Plan catch-up on basis of available, documented evidence of previous vaccination.
- Observe minimal intervals or age
- With catch-up schedule the interval between doses may be reduced.
- The number of doses may reduce with age (e.g PCV).
- Recommended vaccines change or may be omitted.
- Never restart schedule, regardless of known interval (except Cholera).
- May give all vaccines at one visit.
- Schedule next visit for a time after the appropriate minimal interval.
- Check rules on interchangeability of vaccines.
- Use optimal intervals when child is back on course

Records may not be accurate – accept with caution

Inefficacy of vaccines may be due to :-

- -Improper storage or handling
- -Immune defects e.g.severe malnutrition

Summary

- No need to restart incomplete course
- Access information about schedules in other countries via websites
- Vaccinate late entrants according to new schedule