

Where can I find out more information?

- booklet "Your Child's Immunisation – A Guide for Parents"
- the leaflet given at your baby's 6 week check
- online from our website www.immunisation.ie

Where can I find out more information about the vaccines used?

This information can be found in the patient information leaflet (PIL) and the Summary of Product Characteristics (SmPC). It is also available on the following websites

- www.medicines.ie
- www.hpra.ie/homepage/medicines
- www.ema.europa.eu/ema/

You need to know the name of the vaccines to search these websites. The product names of each vaccine are available on our website
www.immunisation.ie

All vaccines used by the HSE are licensed by the Health Products Regulatory Authority and the European Medicines Agency.

Five visits to your GP (doctor) to be fully vaccinated

Your baby needs **five** visits to your GP (doctor) to complete their course of vaccines and be fully protected against serious diseases. Remember to bring your baby's immunisation passport to each visit.

يمكن تنزيل هذه النشرة بالعربية من الموقع www.immunisation.ie

Cette brochure peut être téléchargée en français sur www.immunisation.ie

Dieses Merkblatt können Sie in deutscher Sprache von der Website www.immunisation.ie herunterladen

Este folheto está disponível para download em www.immunisation.ie em português

Ta broszura jest dostępna w witrynie www.immunisation.ie w języku polskim

Acest prospect este disponibil pentru descărcare în limba română de pe www.immunisation.ie

Эту брошюру на русском языке можно загрузить с веб-сайта www.immunisation.ie

可从 www.immunisation.ie 下载本宣传单对应语言版本。



In Ireland, all the recommended immunisations in the primary childhood schedule are free.

Further information is available at www.immunisation.ie

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Congratulations on the birth of your baby.

This leaflet introduces you to the immunisations your baby will be offered over the next 13 months. These immunisations are important to protect your baby against serious diseases.

The vaccines your baby will be offered are shown in the table below:

Age	Vaccination
2 months	Visit 1 6 in 1+PCV+MenB+Rotavirus 3 Injections+Oral Drops
4 months	Visit 2 6 in 1+MenB+Rotavirus 2 Injections+Oral Drops
6 months	Visit 3 6 in 1+PCV+MenC 3 Injections
No Rotavirus vaccine on or after 8 months 0 days	
12 months	Visit 4 MMR+MenB 2 Injections
13 months	Visit 5 Hib/MenC+PCV 2 Injections

- 6 in 1** Diphtheria, Haemophilus influenzae b (Hib), Hepatitis B, Pertussis (whooping cough), Polio and Tetanus
- PCV** Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine
- MenB** Meningococcal B
- MenC** Meningococcal C
- Rotavirus** Rotavirus oral vaccine
- MMR** Measles, Mumps, Rubella
- Hib/MenC** Haemophilus influenzae b + Meningococcal C combined vaccine

For more information see www.immunisation.ie

When the Public Health Nurse visits your home they will give you a booklet "Your Child's Immunisation – A Guide for Parents". Please read this booklet carefully and keep it safe. It contains lots of information about the immunisations your baby will be offered over the next 13 months.

In the back pocket of this booklet there is a magnet with the immunisation schedule. You can put this somewhere visible to remind you about the vaccines your baby needs.

There is also an immunisation passport in the back pocket. You bring this passport with you to each visit and the practice nurse will write down the vaccines your baby has received.

Please keep this immunisation passport in a safe place and bring it to all appointments so it can be filled in and kept up to date.

What happens next?

At your baby's 6 week check you will be given a leaflet with more information about your baby's immunisations.

The HSE will write and ask you to arrange to visit your GP (doctor) for the first of your five visits. If you do not hear from the HSE, you should arrange to visit your GP (doctor) when your baby is two months old.

To provide the best protection for your baby it is important that they get all their vaccines on time.



Can I give my baby anything before they are vaccinated?

You can give your baby milk a few minutes before their vaccination. This can help to reduce pain at the injection site.

What happens before immunisation?

Before your baby is immunised, the doctor or practice nurse will check with you that your baby is well and able to get the vaccines. If you have any worries or questions about your baby's immunisations, ask the doctor or practice nurse before your baby is immunised.

There are very few reasons why your baby should not get a vaccine.

After immunisation

Your baby may have a sore leg or fever after they get their vaccine.

The MenB vaccine given at 2 and 4 months may give your baby a high fever.

We recommend you give your baby 3 doses of liquid infant paracetamol 2.5 mls (60 mg). This will reduce the fever.

Do not give infant paracetamol to your baby before you go to your GP (doctor) surgery.

You do not need to give infant paracetamol routinely at or just after their 6, 12 and 13 month injections. But, if your baby is distressed or has a high fever you can give them plenty of fluids and infant paracetamol or infant ibuprofen.

If you are worried about your baby, please contact your GP (doctor), practice nurse or public health nurse for further advice.