

# NATIONAL IMMUNISATION PROGRAM – TASMANIA

## adult and child immunisation schedule

JULY 2013

AGE	VACCINE (ANTIGEN)
<b>Birth</b> (within 7 days of birth)	<b>HB Vax II 0.5 mL</b> (Hep B) Paediatric (a)
<b>2 months</b> (may be given from 6 weeks, but not earlier)	<b>Infanrix Hexa</b> (DTPa/Hib/Hep B/IPV) <b>Prevenar 13</b> (13vPCV) <b>Rotarix</b> (Rotavirus – oral vaccine) refer to handbook for age limits
<b>4 months</b> (if child received previous doses at 6 weeks, current recommendation is to vaccinate at 4 months)	<b>Infanrix Hexa</b> (DTPa/Hib/Hep B/IPV) <b>Prevenar 13</b> (13vPCV) <b>Rotarix</b> (Rotavirus – oral vaccine) refer to handbook for age limits
<b>6 months</b>	<b>Infanrix Hexa</b> (DTPa/Hib/Hep B/IPV) <b>Prevenar 13</b> (13vPCV)
<b>6 months – 64 years</b> * predisposing medical conditions	<b>Vaxigrip, Fluarix or Fluvax</b> (b)
<b>12 months</b>	<b>Priorix or M-M-R II</b> (MMR) <b>Menitorix</b> (Hib/Men C) <i>NEW combination vaccine</i>
* only if predisposing medical conditions	<b>Prevenar 13</b> (13vPCV)
* only babies <32 weeks' gestation or <2000g birth weight	<b>HB Vax II 0.5 mL</b> (Hep B) Paediatric
<b>18 months</b>	<b>Priorix-Tetra</b> (MMRV) <i>NEW combination vaccine</i>
<b>4 years</b> (may be given from 3 years 6 months, but not earlier)	<b>Priorix or M-M-R II</b> (MMR) <b>Infanrix IPV</b> (DTPa/IPV)
* only if predisposing medical conditions	<b>Pneumovax 23</b> (23vPPV)
<b>5 – 64 years</b> *only if predisposing medical conditions	<b>Pneumovax 23</b> (23vPPV) – recommended but not funded
<b>50 years and older</b>	<b>Boostrix</b> (dTpa) – recommended but not funded or <b>ADT Booster</b> (dT) – not funded
<b>65 years and older</b>	<b>Pneumovax 23</b> (23vPPV) (c) <b>Vaxigrip, Fluarix or Fluvax</b>

## school immunisation program (may be administered at GP practices if not received via a school program)

SCHOOL YEAR	VACCINE (ANTIGEN)
<b>Year 7</b> (routine program from 2013)	<b>Boostrix</b> (dTpa) <b>Gardasil (HPV)</b> (3 doses at 0, 2 and 6 months) (d) <b>HB Vax II 1 mL</b> – catch-up (Adult) (2 doses, 4-6 months apart) <b>Varilrix or Varivax</b> – catch-up (e)
<b>Year 9</b> (catch-up program 2013 and 2014 only)	<b>Boostrix</b> (dTpa) <b>Gardasil</b> (HPV) (3 doses at 0, 2 and 6 months) (d)
<b>Year 10</b> (catch-up program 2013 only)	<b>Boostrix</b> (dTpa)

- (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 it must be given within 7 days. Total of 3 doses of Hep B required following the birth dose, at 2, 4 and 6 months (in **Infanrix Hexa**). There is no catch-up required if the birth dose is not given.
- (b) Children under 10 years receiving influenza vaccine for the first time require a second dose 1 month after the first dose. **Fluvax brand is not registered for use in children under 5 years of age** and is not recommended for children 5 – 9 years unless there is no alternative vaccine available. See the Tasmanian Influenza Immunisation Schedule for further information on At Risk Groups.
- (c) Second dose of **Pneumovax 23** ≥ 5 years only if predisposing medical conditions.
- (d) An accelerated schedule of 0, 1 and 4 months may be used, but there must be a minimum interval of 3 months between doses 2 and 3.
- (e) Varicella vaccine should be given if there is no history of disease or vaccination.

\* predisposing medical conditions – refer to handbook

Check the DHHS website [www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/peh/immunisation](http://www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/peh/immunisation) or the Tasmania Medicare Local website [tasmedicarelocal.com.au](http://tasmedicarelocal.com.au) for the latest version of this Immunisation resource.

Contact DHHS Population Health – Communicable Diseases Prevention Unit 1800 671 738. To order more copies of this resource call 1300 653 169.

For further details refer to the online edition of the Australian Immunisation Handbook: [www.immunise.health.gov.au](http://www.immunise.health.gov.au)

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