Childhood Immunisation Schedule Tasmania

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Age	Brand	Disease/Antigen/Antibody	Notes
Birth	H-B-Vax [®] II Paediatric	Hepatitis B (usually offered in hospital)	Within 7 days of birth (ideally within 24 hours).
During RSV season (1 April to 30 Sept) From birth to <8 months for eligible infants	Beyfortus [®] (nirsevimab)	Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)	Assess for eligibility. Not routinely required if protected by maternal vaccination. Give once only to eligible infants born from 1 October in the year prior and aged < 8 months old. Dose is weight and age dependent. See the The Australian Immunisation Handbook-RSV section and the RSV maternal and infant protection program 2025 on the Tas Dept of Health website.
2 months (can be given from 6 weeks of age)	Infanrix hexa® or Vaxelis® Prevenar 20® Rotarix® (oral)	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, hepatitis B, polio, Hib (DTPa-hepB-IPV-Hib) Pneumococcal (20vPCV) Rotavirus	Rotarix [®] : First dose must be given before 15 weeks of age.
	*Bexsero®	Meningococcal B (Aboriginal children)	Bexsero®: Prophylactic paracetamol recommended.
4 months	Infanrix hexa® or Vaxelis® Prevenar 20® Rotarix® (oral)	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, hepatitis B, polio, Hib (DTPa-hepB-IPV-Hib) Pneumococcal (20vPCV) Rotavirus	Rotarix®: The second dose must be given before 25 weeks of age.
	*Bexsero®	Meningococcal B (Aboriginal children)	Bexsero®: Prophylactic paracetamol recommended.
6 months	Infanrix hexa® or Vaxelis®	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, hepatitis B, polio, Hib (DTPa-hepB-IPV-Hib)	Two months minimum interval required between second and third dose of Hepatitis B.
	Prevenar 20 [®] Prevenar 20 [®] *Bexsero [®]	Pneumococcal (20vPCV) (children with medical risk conditions) Pneumococcal (20vPCV) (Aboriginal children) Meningococcal B (Aboriginal children with medical risk conditions)	Additional dose required for all children with <u>specified medical risk conditions</u> for pneumococcal disease Additional dose required for all Aboriginal children Bexsero®: Additional dose for Aboriginal children with <u>specified medical risk conditions</u> . Prophylactic paracetamol recommended.
6 months to <5 years (annually)	Age-appropriate influenza	Influenza (all children)	Administer annually. Children aged 6 months to less than 9 years of age receiving influenza vaccine for the first time need 2 doses, at least 4 weeks apart. One dose annually in subsequent years.
During RSV season (1 April to 30 Sept) From 8 months to 24 months for those at high-risk only	Beyfortus [®] (nirsevimab)	Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)	Infants and young children 8 to 24 months of age who are at risk of severe RSV disease may be eligible to receive Beyfortus® entering their 2nd RSV season. See the The Australian Immunisation Handbook-RSV section and the RSV maternal and infant protection program 2025 on the Tas Dept of Health website.
12 months	Nimenrix [®] Priorix [®] Prevenar 20 [®]	Meningococcal ACWY (MenACWY) Measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) Pneumococcal (20vPCV)	
	*Bexsero®	Meningococcal B (Aboriginal children)	Bexsero®: Prophylactic paracetamol recommended.
18 months	ActHIB [®] Priorix-Tetra [®] Infanrix [®] or Tripacel [®]	Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) Measles, mumps, rubella, varicella (MMRV) Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (DTPa)	MMRV should not be used as the 1st dose of measles-containing vaccine in children <4 years of age.
4 years	Infanrix IPV® or Quadracel®	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio (DTPa/IPV)	
≥ 5 years (annually)	Age-appropriate influenza	Influenza (Aboriginal children) Influenza (all children with specified medical risk conditions)	Administer annually. Children aged 6 months to less than 9 years of age receiving influenza vaccine for the first time need 2 doses, at least 4 weeks apart. One dose annually in subsequent years.
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- People less than 20 years of age who have a Medicare card and refugees and humanitarian entrants of all ages are eligible for free catch-up vaccines.
- *Aboriginal children aged 6 months to less than 2 years of age are eligible for Meningococcal B vaccines if missed at the recommended schedule points.
- Children with specified medical risk conditions over 12 months should receive a dose of Prevenar 20[®] at diagnosis.
- COVID-19 vaccination: review the Australian Immunisation Handbook regarding primary course and booster advice for children with medical risk conditions and severe immunocompromise.

Green text refers to additional vaccines recommended for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. Purple text refers to additional vaccines recommended for children with medical risk conditions

Refer to The Australian Immunisation Handbook for further clinical advice.

For further advice contact the **Tasmanian Department of Health** by email <u>immunisation@health.tas.gov.au</u> or phone 1800 671 738