

A Word on Vaccines

The providers at the Rainbow Kids Clinic want to stress the importance of the timely administration of routine childhood vaccines to prevent illness from preventable infections. Many of these diseases are still seen today. In recent years there have been community outbreaks of Mumps, Measles, and Pertussis. Hemophilus influenza (Hib) and Pneumococcal disease remains, especially where lower levels of "herd immunity" are present. These illnesses are most threatening in the first year of life. The delay in diagnosis of these illnesses (due to their relative decline) may cause permanent harm or death in a child.

Vaccination Schedule

Birth Hepatitis B (per hospital routine)

2 Months DTaP, Polio, Hib (as Pentacel)
Hepatitis B (as Recombivax)
PCV13 (as Prevnar)
Rotavirus (as Rotateq)

4 Months DTaP, Polio, Hib (as Pentacel)
PCV13 (as Prevnar)
Rotavirus (as Rotateq)

6 Months DTaP, Polio, Hib (as Pentacel)
Hepatitis B (as Recombivax)
PCV13 (as Prevnar)
Rotavirus (as Rotateq)

****Beginning at 6 months we recommend influenza vaccination during influenza season****

9 Months (catch up vaccines only)

12 Months MMR (as M-M-R II)
Varicella (as Varivax)
Hepatitis A (as VAQTA)

15 Months DTaP, Polio, Hib (as Pentacel)
PCV13 (as Prevnar)

18 Months Hepatitis A (as VAQTA)

2-3 Years (catch up vaccines only)

4-5 Years DTaP (as Daptacel)
Polio (as IPOL)
MMR (as M-M-R II)
Varicella (as Varivax)

**** in some circumstances the above may be combined in DTaP-Polio (as Kinrix) or MMR-Varicella (as Proquad)**

6-10 Years (catch up vaccines only)

11 Years Meningococcal Conjugate Vaccine (as Menactra)
Tdap (as Adacel)
HPV (as Gardasil) – a 3 course series over a 6 month period