

# Quick guide: Catch-up immunisation for Victoria

For people with no documentation of previous vaccines

**Always use the current edition of the *Australian Immunisation Handbook* for complete advice**



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## Introduction

The quick guide for catch-up immunisation has been developed to assist immunisation providers in Victoria to create a catch-up immunisation schedule for people with **no previous documented vaccine history**. The *Australian Immunisation Handbook* 9<sup>th</sup> Edition 2008 states, “take every available opportunity to vaccinate children and adults.” The most important requirement for assessment of vaccination status is written documentation of vaccination.

The quick guide provides assistance with creating a catch-up schedule to complete a primary course of vaccination. For spacing of booster doses please refer to the current edition of the *Australian Immunisation Handbook* for catch-up immunisation.

A copy of the *Free vaccine Victorian - Criteria for eligibility* is included in this document. The criteria lists vaccine provided free and also highlights additional free vaccines for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, refugees and asylum seekers.

Please note hepatitis B vaccine is funded for household contacts of a person living with hepatitis B, hepatitis B negative injecting drug users, HIV and hepatitis C positive persons.

## How to read the tables

The tables are read as follows:

- Age at 1st visit  
Refers to the age of the person at presentation for the first series of catch-up vaccines.
- Visit number  
The 1st visit refers to the day the first vaccinations are given as a catch-up.
- Interval dose due  
Refers to the time interval required between the doses of vaccines. The minimum spacing between doses is one month. Some vaccines require longer spacing between catch-up doses.
- Antigens/vaccine brand  
Both the antigen and brand names have been used to identify what vaccines are recommended at each age milestone for quick recognition.

Each age cohort recommends (where applicable) that the vaccine schedule point be continued with the routine National Immunisation Program following completion of catch-up doses.

Combination vaccines such as *Infranix hexa* can be used for the primary course of catch-up immunisation in children less than 8 years of age.

If the recommended intervals between doses are exceeded there is no need to recommence the schedule or give additional doses because the immune response is not impaired by such delay.

## Medical risk factors

Some vaccines require extra doses in addition to the National Immunisation Program schedule or vaccine doses given earlier than required depending on the medical risk factor for an individual.

Please see the current edition of the *Australian Immunisation Handbook*, ‘Groups with special vaccination requirements’ for further information.

## Further information

- Refer to the current edition of the *Australian Immunisation Handbook*
- For vaccine orders contact the Immunisation Section, Department of Health on telephone **1300 882 008**
- Translated resources are available from website: **[www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation](http://www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation)**
- Australian Childhood Immunisation Register on telephone **1800 653 809**

## AGE: 3 to 11 months

Age at 1 <sup>st</sup> visit	Visit number	Interval dose due	DTPa HepB IPV Hib Infanrix <i>hexa</i> <sup>®</sup>	Rotavirus RotaTeq <sup>®</sup>	13vPCV Prevenar 13 <sup>®</sup>	MMR Priorix <sup>®</sup>	MenC NeisVacC <sup>®</sup>
3 months	1 <sup>st</sup> visit	Give today	✓	✓ If <13 weeks of age otherwise no catch-up	✓		
	Continue vaccine schedule at 4 months of age						
4-6 months	1 <sup>st</sup> visit	Give today	✓		✓		
	2 <sup>nd</sup> visit	1 month after 1 <sup>st</sup> visit	✓		✓		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	1 month after 2 <sup>nd</sup> visit			✓		
	4 <sup>th</sup> visit	1 month after 3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	✓				
	Continue vaccine schedule at 12 months of age						
7-9 months	1 <sup>st</sup> visit	Give today	✓		✓	✓ Due at 12 months of age	✓ Due at 12 months of age
	2 <sup>nd</sup> visit	1 month after 1st visit	✓		✓		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	2 months after 2nd visit	✓				
	Continue vaccine schedule at 12 months of age						
10-11 months	1 <sup>st</sup> visit	Give today	✓		✓	✓ Due at 12 months of age	✓ Due at 12 months of age
	2 <sup>nd</sup> visit	1 month after 1st visit	✓		✓		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	2 months after 2nd visit	✓				
	Continue vaccine schedule at 18 months of age						

## AGE: 12 to 23 months

Age at 1 <sup>st</sup> visit	Visit number	Interval dose due	DTPa HepB IPV Hib Infanrix <i>hexa</i> <sup>®</sup>	13vPCV Prevenar 13 <sup>®</sup>	MMR Priorix <sup>®</sup>	MenC NeisVacC <sup>®</sup>	VZV Varilrix
12-13 months	1 <sup>st</sup> visit	<b>Give today</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> visit	1 month after 1 <sup>st</sup> visit	✓				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	1 month after 2 <sup>nd</sup> visit		✓			
	4 <sup>th</sup> visit	1 month after 3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	✓				
	<b>Continue vaccine schedule at 18 months of age</b>						
14-17 months	1 <sup>st</sup> visit	<b>Give today</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ Due at 18 months of age
	2 <sup>nd</sup> visit	1 month after 1 <sup>st</sup> visit	✓				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	1 month after 2 <sup>nd</sup> visit		✓			
	4 <sup>th</sup> visit	1 month after 3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	✓				
	<b>Continue vaccine schedule at 4 years of age</b>						
18-23 months	1 <sup>st</sup> visit	<b>Give today</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	2 <sup>nd</sup> visit	1 month after 1 <sup>st</sup> visit	✓				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	2 months after 2 <sup>nd</sup> visit	✓				
	<b>Continue vaccine schedule at 4 years of age</b>						

**AGE: 2 to 7 years**

<b>Age at 1<sup>st</sup> visit</b>	<b>Visit number</b>	<b>Interval dose due</b>	<b>DTPa IPV</b> Infanrix IPV®	<b>DTPa HepB IPV Hib</b> Infanrix <i>hexa</i> ®	<b>MMR</b> Priorix®	<b>MenC</b> NeisVacC®	<b>VZV</b> Varilrix
<b>2-3 years</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> visit	<b>Give today</b>		✓	✓	✓	✓
	2 <sup>nd</sup> visit	1 month after 1 <sup>st</sup> visit		✓			
	3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	2 months after 2 <sup>nd</sup> visit		✓			
	<b>Continue vaccine schedule at 4 years of age</b>						
<b>4-7 years</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> visit	<b>Give today</b>		✓	✓	✓	✓
	2 <sup>nd</sup> visit	1 month after 1 <sup>st</sup> visit		✓	✓		
	3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	2 months after 2 <sup>nd</sup> visit		✓			
	4 <sup>th</sup> visit	6 months after 3 <sup>rd</sup> visit	✓				
	<b>Continue vaccine schedule at secondary school</b>						

## AGE: 8 years and over

Age at 1st visit	Interval dose due	MMR Priorix®	dTpa Boostrix®	dT ADT Booster®	Polio IPOL®	HPV Gardasil®	Hepatitis B HB Vaxil® Paediatric/Adult formulation		VZV Varilrix®	Men C NeisVacC®
<b>Please note the additional information for vaccines</b>		Give if born since 1966.  2 free doses for a woman planning pregnancy and post-partum with low or negative rubella antibody.	Give in Year 10 of secondary school  <b>A/r/as</b> as a single dose in a primary course	See current edition of the <i>Australian Immunisation Handbook</i> for booster doses		Give in Year 7 of secondary school.  Year 9 secondary school boys only in 2013 and 2014.	Mop-up of Year 7 secondary school or age equivalent give 2 adult doses.	8 to 19 years of age, 3 paediatric doses  20 years of age and over, 3 adult doses.	Give in Year 7 of secondary school if non-immune  14 years of age and over, 2 doses due if non-immune.	Peak incidence of disease is between 15 and 24 years of age.
	<b>Give today</b>	*✓ <b>A/r/as</b>	*✓ <b>A/r/as</b>		*✓ <b>A/r/as</b>	*✓	*✓	*✓	*✓	*✓
	1 month after 1 <sup>st</sup> visit	*✓ <b>A/r/as</b>		*✓ <b>A/r/as</b>	*✓ <b>A/r/as</b>			*✓	*✓ 2 <sup>nd</sup> dose due if 14 years and over	
	1 month after 2 <sup>nd</sup> visit			*✓ <b>A/r/as</b>	*✓ <b>A/r/as</b>	*✓ 2 months after 1 <sup>st</sup> visit				
						*✓ 4 months after 2nd visit	*✓ 4–6 months after 1st visit	*✓ 5 months after 2nd visit		

\*✓

**Recommended but not free**

**A/r/he**

**Free to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders / refugees / asylum seekers**



## Immunisation catch-up advice

Immunisation catch-up advice for:

Name:

Birth date:

Age:

Date given	Age of person	Birth dose Hep B	Rota Teq	Prevenar	DTPa	OPV/IPV	Hep B	Hib	Men C	MMR	Varicella	HPV	dTpa	ADT	Other	Other	Other
Vaccine interval		Ipol	Rota Teq	Prevenar 13	Infanrix hexa	Infanrix IPV	Hep B Paed./ Adult	Hiberix	NeisVacC	Priorix	Varilrix	Gardasil	Boostrix	ADT	Flu	Pneumo Vax23	Other
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\*✓ Recommended but not free A/r/he Free to Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders / refugees / asylum seekers

Further advice:

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Date:



Free vaccine Victoria - Criteria for eligibility

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Vaccine brand	The person must reside in Australia and meet at least one of the following criteria to be eligible for free Victorian government supplied vaccine. 1. Hold a Medicare card or be eligible to hold a Medicare card and all asylum seekers 2. Hold Australian citizenship 3. Hold a permanent visa or have applied for a permanent visa. If an eligible person attends without their Medicare card vaccines can still be administered at this time.
<b>ADT Booster®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>50 to 59 years of age (inclusive) a single booster dose</li> <li>8 years of age and over for a primary course Indigenous/refugee/asylum seeker</li> </ul>
<b>Eloostrix®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 10 secondary school program only or age equivalent (15 to 16 years of age)</li> <li>8 years of age and over as a single dose in a primary course Indigenous/refugee/asylum seeker</li> </ul>
<b>Eingerix-B®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HIV and hepatitis C positive person</li> </ul>
<b>Gardasil®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 7 secondary school program or age equivalent (12 to 13 years old)</li> <li>1 year catch-up for an incomplete course commenced in Year 7 of secondary school or age equivalent</li> <li>Year 9 boys secondary school program or age equivalent (14 to 15 years old) - time-limited 2013 and 2014</li> </ul>
<b>HBVax II Adult®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 7 secondary school 'mop-up' or age equivalent (12 to 13 years old)</li> <li>Household contacts of a person living with hepatitis B</li> <li>Hepatitis B negative injecting drug user</li> </ul>
<b>HBVax II Paediatric®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Infant at birth and within 7 days of birth</li> <li>12 months of age booster dose if born less than 32 weeks gestation or less than 2000 g birth weight</li> <li>Catch-up to 7 years of age (inclusive)</li> <li>Household contacts of a person living with hepatitis B</li> <li>Hepatitis B negative injecting drug user</li> </ul>
<b>Hiberix®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12 months of age</li> <li>Catch-up single dose from 13 months to 4 years of age (inclusive)</li> </ul>
<b>Infanrix hexa®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2, 4 and 6 months of age</li> <li>Catch-up to 7 years of age (inclusive)</li> </ul>
<b>Infanrix IPV®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 years of age</li> <li>Catch-up single dose from 4 years and 1 month to 7 years of age (inclusive)</li> </ul>
<b>Influenza vaccine</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6 months of age and over with conditions predisposing to severe illness following influenza infection</li> <li>15 years of age and over for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders</li> <li>All pregnant women during any stage of pregnancy</li> <li>65 years of age and older</li> </ul>
<b>IPOL®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indigenous/refugee/asylum seeker from 8 years of age for a primary course</li> </ul>
<b>Merieux Inactivated Rabies®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Volunteer wildlife handler for the primary course</li> <li>Post exposure prophylaxis</li> </ul>
<b>NeisVac C®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12 months of age</li> <li>Catch-up single dose from 13 months to 7 years of age (inclusive)</li> </ul>
<b>Pneumovax23®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 to 5 years of age with underlying medical risk factors includes born less than 28 weeks gestation</li> <li>15 to 49 years of age for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander with underlying medical risk factors</li> <li>50 years of age and over for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander</li> <li>65 years of age and over</li> </ul>
<b>Prevenar 13®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2, 4 and 6 months of age</li> <li>12 months of age booster dose is given with underlying medical risk factors includes born less than 28 weeks gestation</li> <li>Catch-up if less than 2 years of age</li> <li>Catch-up to 5 years of age (inclusive) with underlying medical risk factors</li> </ul>
<b>Priorix®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12 months and 4 years of age</li> <li>Catch-up from 13 months to 7 years of age (inclusive)</li> <li>Woman planning pregnancy and post partum with low or negative rubella antibody</li> <li>Indigenous/refugee/asylum seeker if born since 1966 (inclusive)</li> </ul>
<b>RotaTeq®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2, 4 and 6 months of age</li> <li>Age 12 weeks and 6 days, cut-off for 1st dose to be given (do not give any dose in course)</li> <li>Age 32 weeks and 6 days, cut-off for the last dose (either the 2nd or 3rd dose) to be given</li> </ul>
<b>Varilrix®</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>18 months of age if no history of disease</li> <li>Catch-up single dose from 19 months to 7 years of age (inclusive)</li> <li>Year 7 secondary school or age equivalent (12 to 13 years old) if no history of disease.</li> </ul>

- Vaccines required for travel purposes are not supplied
- Refer to the current *Australian Immunisation Handbook* for detailed schedule and medical recommendations
- Shaded line indicates free vaccines for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, refugees and asylum seekers