



A Word on Vaccines

The providers at 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. Haemophilus influenzae type b (HIB) and Pneumococcal disease remain, especially where lower levels of "herd immunity" are present. These outbreaks 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 Vaccine (Routine at Hospital)
2 Months	Pentacel (DTaP, Polio, Hib) Recombivax (Hepatitis B Vaccine) Prevnar (PCV13) Rotateq (Roatavirus)
4 Months	Pentacel (DTaP, Polio, Hib) Prevnar (PCV13) Rotateq (Rotavirus)
6 Months	Pentacel (DTaP, Polio, Hib) Recombivax (Hepatitis B Vaccine) Prevnar (PCV13) Rotateq (Roatavirus)
9 Months	Catch up vaccines only
12 Months	•MMR (Measles, Mumps, Ruebella) •Varivax (Varicella) •VAQTA (Hepatitis A)



Vaccination Schedule Continued

15 Months	•Pentacel (DTaP, Polio, Hib) •Prevnar (PCV13)
18 Months	•VAQTA (Hepatitis A)
2-3 Years	Catch up vaccines only
4-5 Years	•Daptacel (DTaP) •IPOL (Polio) •MMR (Measles, Mumps, Ruebella) •Varivax (Varicella)
Note	•In some circumstances (Kinrix) DTaP-Polio or (Proquad) MMR- Varicella may be given
6-10 Years	Catch up vaccines only
11-12 Years	Adacel (Tdap) Menactra (Meningococcal conjugate) Gardasil (HPV) 2 doses 6 months apart
15 Years	Catch up Vaccines (HPV -3 doses if started at or after age 15)
16 Years	Menactra (Meningococcal conjugate) 2nd dose Trumenba (Meninogoccal serogroup b) May be recommended for those entering college or those at high risk. 2 doses 6 months apart or 3 doses for high risk

Note: **Flu shot will be offered to all children above six months of age. During the first season, children need two flu shots one month apart. After the first year, children need only one flu shot at the beginning of the flu season**