DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH July 2023

## The Right Age for Baby Needles

Based on the NT Childhood Immunisation Schedule

Protect your children from serious diseases by getting their free baby needles (vaccinations) at the right time

Age		How many needles	Recommended needles to protect against these diseases
BIRTH	In hospital		Hepatitis B
6 WEEKS	Baby starting to smile and lift head		Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (Whooping Cough), Hepatitis B, Poliomyelitis (Polio), <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b
			Pneumococcal
		<b>  </b>	Meningococcal B (Aboriginal and some medically at risk children)
		ORAL	Rotavirus
4 MONTHS	Baby starting to roll over	<b> </b>	Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (Whooping Cough), Hepatitis B, Poliomyelitis (Polio), <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b
		<b> </b>	Pneumococcal
		<b>  </b>	Meningococcal B (Aboriginal and some medically at risk children)
		ORAL	Rotavirus
6 MONTHS	Baby starting to sit up		Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (Whooping Cough), Hepatitis B, Poliomyelitis (Polio), <i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> type b
		<b>  </b>	Pneumococcal (Aboriginal and some medically at risk children)
Influenza vaccine – Yearly – from 6 months of age 2 doses – (1 month apart) when having influenza vaccine for the first time. 1 dose each year after that			
12 MONTHS	Baby starting to stand up and walk		Measles, Mumps, Rubella
		<b> </b>	Pneumococcal
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Ħ	7.5		Meningococcal B (Aboriginal and some medically at risk children)
18 MONTHS	Child starting to run		Measles, Mumps, Rubella and Chicken Pox
			Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (Whooping Cough)
			Haemophilus influenzae type b
		<b> </b>	Hepatitis A (Aboriginal children)
4 YEARS	Before child goes to school		Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (Whooping Cough), Poliomyelitis (Polio)
		<b> </b>	Hepatitis A (Aboriginal children)
		<b>  </b>        -	Pneumococcal (Aboriginal and some medically at risk children)

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