

Process for ordering Botulism antitoxin (BAT) and diphtheria antitoxin (DAT).

Notify the local Public Health Department before ordering BAT or DAT. In hours see [HPSC: Who to notify](#) for contact details, out of hours, contact ambulance control.

1. Each hospital site should already have a National Cold Chain Service (NCCS) account setup (usually hospital pharmacy department).
2. **To order in hours:** the account holder emails NCCS (vaccines@udd.ie) and requests the specific antitoxin and correct dosage required
3. **To order out of hours:** Regional Public Health on-call should be contacted to discuss. Ordering of BAT or DAT out of hours is mediated through the National Health Protection Office On-Call consultant who can arrange emergency delivery.

Product information, including dosage per age or weight:

Please check product information and order correct dosage for patients.

Botulism antitoxin- Batch 23005514:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/health/immunisation/hcpinfo/vaccineordering/bat-us-prescribing-information.pdf>

Botulism antitoxin- Batch 23005970:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/health/immunisation/hcpinfo/vaccineordering/pil-03-2024.pdf>

BabyBIG® (infant botulism immunoglobulin) is only available via consultation with 24/7 physicians in California Department of Public Health who release the medicine, as needed.

Stock cannot be held in Ireland as it is only supplied from California on demand when there is a patient requiring it. The 24/7 contact number is 001 (510) 231-7600

Diphtheria antitoxin:

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/health/immunisation/hcpinfo/vaccineordering/datpackinsert.pdf>