

## Appendix A. Immunisation Guidelines

### RECOMMENDED IMMUNISATION SCHEDULES

The immunisation schedules below may be updated from time to time. To check on updates and for more details on immunisation please go to the National Immunisation Office website at <http://www.hse.ie/eng/health/immunisation/hcpinfo/guidelines/immunisationguidelines.html>

New migrants should be asked about their vaccine history. In the absence of information/documentation to the contrary, individuals should be assumed to be unimmunised and started on the Irish immunisation schedule as indicated below for the different categories of new entrants:

#### Infants <4 months of age

Infants <4 months of age should commence the routine childhood immunisation schedule as shown in table A1.

**Table A1 Routine childhood immunisation schedule**

Age	Immunisations	Comment
Birth	BCG	1 injection
2 months	DTaP/Hib/IPV/Hep B + PCV	2 injections
4 months	DTaP/Hib/IPV/Hep B + MenC	2 injections
6 months	DTaP/Hib/IPV/Hep B + PCV	2 injections
12 months	MMR + PCV	2 injections
13 months	MenC + Hib	2 injections
4 to 5 years	DTaP/IPV + MMR	2 injections
11 to 14 years	Tdap	1 injection
12 years	Men C	1 injection
12 to 13 years (girls only)	HPV x 2 doses at 0 and 6 months	2 injections

Source: <http://www.hse.ie/eng/health/immunisation/hcpinfo/guidelines/>

BCG	<i>Bacille Calmette Guerin vaccine</i>
DTaP	<i>Diphtheria, Tetanus and acellular Pertussis vaccine</i>
Hib	<i>Haemophilus influenzae b vaccine</i>
IPV	<i>Inactivated Polio Virus vaccine</i>
Hep B	<i>Hepatitis B vaccine</i>
PCV	<i>Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine</i>
MenC	<i>Meningococcal C vaccine</i>
MMR	<i>Measles, Mumps and Rubella vaccine</i>
Tdap	<i>Tetanus, low-dose diphtheria and low-dose acellular pertussis vaccine</i>