

# Routine Childhood Immunization Schedule

Childhood immunizations have changed in the past few years. This schedule reflects these changes and may be different from what you or your children may have received in the past.

The immunizations shown on this schedule are those that are given **free of charge**.

**High-risk children may be eligible for additional vaccines.** For more information, talk to your health care provider or call your local Public Health office.

		SCHEDULE					
		2 months	4 months	6 months	12 months	18 months	4-6 years
VACCINES	<b>DTaP-IPV-Hib</b> <i>Diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis (whooping cough), polio, and Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	
	<b>Pneumo Conj.</b> <i>Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine</i>	✓	✓		✓		
	<b>Men C Conj.</b> <i>Meningococcal group C conjugate vaccine</i>				✓		
	<b>MMRV</b> <i>Measles, mumps, rubella and varicella vaccine</i>				✓		✓
	<b>DTaP-IPV</b> <i>Diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis (whooping cough), and polio vaccine</i>						✓

## Seasonal Flu Shots

- Seasonal flu shots are free for all Nova Scotians. They are recommended for all adults and children EXCEPT for babies under 6 months.
- Seasonal flu shots are strongly recommended for anyone who lives with or takes care of a child under 24 months, and for anyone living in a home where a newborn is expected during influenza season (October to April). This includes both adults and older children.
- Seasonal flu shots are also strongly recommended for children with a health condition that places them at high risk and for anyone who lives with or takes care of these children.
- Children under 9 years old getting their first flu shot need 2 doses.
- For more information about seasonal flu shots, see: [www.gov.ns.ca/hpp/cdpc/influenza.asp](http://www.gov.ns.ca/hpp/cdpc/influenza.asp).