

## National Immunization Schedule for EPI Vaccines – Sri Lanka

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Age	Vaccine	Remarks
<b>DURING FIRST YEAR OF LIFE (INFANCY)</b>		
<b>0-4 weeks</b>	BCG	Before leaving hospital, preferably within 24 hours of birth.  If a scar is not present 2nd dose could be offered after 6months, up to 5 years.
<b>On completion of</b>		
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Month</b>	OPV & Pentavalent (DTP-HepB-Hib) (1st dose), fIPV (Fractional IPV) (1st dose)	For a defaulter or for an un-immunized child minimum of 6-8 weeks gap between doses is adequate
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Month</b>	OPV & Pentavalent (DTP-HepB-Hib) (2nd dose), fIPV (Fractional IPV) (2 <sup>nd</sup> dose)	Preferably 6-8 weeks after 1st dose
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Month</b>	OPV & Pentavalent (DTP-HepB-Hib) (3rd dose)	Preferably 6-8 weeks after 2nd dose
<b>9<sup>th</sup> Month</b>	MMR ( 1st Dose )	On completion of 9 months
<b>IN SECOND YEAR OF LIFE</b>		
<b>At 12 months</b>	A dose of Live JE Vaccine	On completion of 1 <sup>st</sup> year
<b>At 18 months</b>	OPV & DTP (4 <sup>th</sup> dose)	On completion of 18 <sup>th</sup> month
<b>PRE SCHOOL GOING AGE</b>		
<b>At 3 years</b>	MMR (2 <sup>nd</sup> Dose)	On completion of 3 <sup>rd</sup> year
<b>SCHOOL GOING AGE</b>		
<b>At 5 years</b>	OPV & DT (5 <sup>th</sup> dose)	On completion of 5 <sup>th</sup> year
<b>In School</b>		
<b>At 12 years</b>	aTd (adult Tetanus diphtheria)	On completion of 11 <sup>th</sup> year
<b>PREGNANT WOMEN</b>		
<b>A. 1<sup>st</sup> Dose</b>	Tetanus Toxoid	During 1 <sup>st</sup> pregnancy, after 12 weeks of POA
<b>B. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dose</b>	Tetanus Toxoid	During 1 <sup>st</sup> pregnancy, 6-8 weeks after the 1 <sup>st</sup> dose
<b>C. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dose</b>	Tetanus Toxoid	During 2 <sup>nd</sup> pregnancy, after 12 weeks of POA
<b>D. 4<sup>th</sup> Dose</b>	Tetanus Toxoid	During 3 <sup>rd</sup> pregnancy, after 12 weeks of POA
<b>E. 5<sup>th</sup> Dose</b>	Tetanus Toxoid	During 4 <sup>th</sup> pregnancy, after 12 weeks of POA
<b>F. One booster dose of Tetanus Toxoid (TTb)</b>	Tetanus Toxoid	During 1st pregnancy with a written evidence of previously being immunized with 6 doses of Tetanus Toxoid as per National EPI schedule (3 doses of DPT in infancy + DPT at 18 months + DT at 5 years + aTd at 12 years) during childhood and adolescent and a gap of 10 years or more after the last Tetanus Toxoid containing Immunization.
<b>G. Tetanus Toxoid immunization not</b>		Mothers who have received 5 doses of Tetanus Toxoid during previous pregnancies are protected and do not need further Tetanus Toxoid immunization for the present pregnancy.

<p><b>indicated</b></p>	<p>Mothers who have received 6 doses of Tetanus Toxoid according to the National EPI schedule during childhood and adolescence and if the gap between the last Tetanus Toxoid containing immunization and the present pregnancy is less than 10 years, are protected and do not need further Tetanus Toxoid immunization for the present pregnancy.</p> <p>Mothers who have received 6 doses of Tetanus Toxoid according to the National EPI schedule during childhood and adolescence and have received at least 1 booster dose of Tetanus Toxoid during pregnancy or due to trauma within last 10 years, are protected and do not need further Tetanus Toxoid immunization for the present pregnancy.</p>
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**FEMALES IN THE CHILD-BEARING AGE GROUP**

<p><b>15-44 years</b></p>	<p>Rubella containing vaccine (MMR)</p>	<p>One dose of MMR vaccine should be given to all females between 15 and 44 years of age, who have not been immunized with rubella containing vaccines earlier.</p>
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