

General timetable for the recommended vaccinations

Vaccination against	8 weeks	12 weeks	16 weeks	12 months	15 months ⁽¹⁾	5-7 years	10-13 years ⁽⁴⁾	14-16 years
Poliomyelitis								
Diphtheria (croup)								
Tetanus (lockjaw)								
Pertussis (whooping cough)								
Haemophilus Influenzae B (meningitis)								
Hepatitis B (jaundice)								
Pneumococcus ⁽¹⁾ 13 serotypes								
Rotavirus ⁽²⁾								
Measles								
Mumps								
German measles (rubella)								
Meningococcus type C or ACWY ⁽³⁾ (meningitis)								
Human papilloma virus ⁽⁴⁾								

- free
- not free
- combination vaccine: 1 injection

- (1) If the pregnancy lasted less than 37 weeks (or the weight at birth was lower than 2.5 kilograms):
 - An extra dose against pneumococcus is administered at the age of 12 weeks.
 - The vaccinations are brought forward from 15 months to 13 months.
- (2) The rotavirus vaccine costs about €12, with a doctor's prescription. Store in the refrigerator (2-8 °C). 2 or 3 doses are needed, depending on the brand.
- (3) The Superior Health Council recommends vaccination against meningococcal ACWY instead of just against meningococcal C. The ACWY vaccine costs about €53, with a doctor's prescription. Store in the refrigerator (2-8 °C).
- (4) 1st year of secondary education. 2 doses with an interval of 6 months.

Special points of attention:

Kind en Gezin (the Child and Family Agency) strongly recommends following the entire schedule, as proposed by the Superior Health Council of Belgium. Only the polio vaccination is legally mandatory.

In addition to the vaccines in the basic scheme, there are also other vaccines you can give for individual protection for your child, for example against meningococcus B, chickenpox and hepatitis A. You should consult your doctor for this.

For the administration of a vaccine, you can choose between the clinic of Kind en Gezin, your GP or paediatrician.