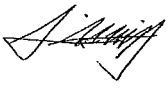
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1. Scope

- 1.1. Staff, management, families & children

2. Policy Statement

The YMCA respects the right of individual parents whether to immunise or not to immunise their children. However children who are not immunised will be excluded for the period of an outbreak that is a vaccine-preventable disease. Proof of immunisation will be sought at the enrolment stage and recorded in the enrolment form.

3. Related Policies & Procedures/Guidance Notes

- 3.1. Anti Discrimination Policy
- 3.2. Duty of Care Policy
- 3.3. Illness and Infectious Diseases Policy
- 3.4. Immunisation Policy

4. Responsibilities & Delegations

- 4.1. The Childcare Taskforce is responsible for the review of this policy.
- 4.2. The Childcare staff & management are responsible for the implementation of this policy.
- 4.3. The families and children are responsible for the support of this policy.

5. Considerations


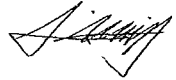
- 5.1. National Standards
- 5.2. Q&A Principles
- 5.3. Department of Health Regulations
- 5.4. Department of Education Guidelines

6. Records Maintenance

- 6.1. This policy is to be reviewed annually.

PROCEDURES

- Parents will provide the centre with documented evidence of their child's immunisation status upon enrolment.

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- This information will be recorded in the Enrolment Form.
- In the event of an outbreak of vaccine-preventable disease at the centre or school attended by children at the centre, staff and children not immunised will be required to stay at home for the duration of the outbreak, for their own protection.
- The Public Health Unit will be notified if any child contracts a vaccine-preventable disease within 24 hours of the outbreak.
- Payment of fees will be required for children excluded during an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease, unless other arrangements, discussed and agreed to by the management, have been made.
- All staff will be encouraged to maintain their immunity to common childhood diseases, through immunisation.
- Staff will be encouraged to undergo immunisation for Hepatitis B if they are not already immunised.
- It is also recommended that all adults receive a booster dose of tetanus and diphtheria vaccine every 10 years

7. Version History

Version	Description of changes	Author	Effective Date
2	Review and update. New format	M. Rupnik	December 2009

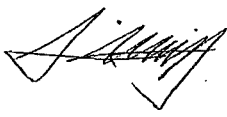
I endorse the Immunisation Policy.

Name: *Maryann Rupnik*
 Childrens Services Program Manager

Signature: 

Date: 7 December 2009

Name: *Liam Whitley*
 Group Manager

Signature: 

Date: 7 December 2009



Australian Government

Department of Health and Ageing

National Immunisation Program Schedule

(VALID FROM 1 JULY 2007)

Age	Vaccine
Birth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hepatitis B (hepB) ^a
2 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hepatitis B (hepB) ^b Diphtheria, tetanus and acellular pertussis (DTPa) <i>Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)</i> ^{c,d} Inactivated poliomyelitis (IPV) Pneumococcal conjugate (7vPCV) Rotavirus
4 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hepatitis B (hepB) ^b Diphtheria, tetanus and acellular pertussis (DTPa) <i>Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)</i> ^{c,d} Inactivated poliomyelitis (IPV) Pneumococcal conjugate (7vPCV) Rotavirus
6 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hepatitis B (hepB) ^b Diphtheria, tetanus and acellular pertussis (DTPa) <i>Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)</i> ^c Inactivated poliomyelitis (IPV) Pneumococcal conjugate (7vPCV) ^e Rotavirus ^l
12 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hepatitis B (hepB) ^b <i>Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)</i> ^d Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) Meningococcal C (MenCCV)
12-24 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hepatitis A (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in high risk areas) ^f
18 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Varicella (VZV)
18-24 months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pneumococcal polysaccharide (23vPPV) (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in high risk areas) ^g Hepatitis A (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in high risk areas)
4 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diphtheria, tetanus and acellular pertussis (DTPa) Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) Inactivated poliomyelitis (IPV)
10-13 years ^h	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hepatitis B (hepB) Varicella (VZV)
12-13 years ^l	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human Papillomavirus (HPV)
15-17 years ^l	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diphtheria, tetanus and acellular pertussis (dTpa)
15-49 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Influenza (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people medically at-risk) Pneumococcal polysaccharide (23vPPV) (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people medically at-risk)
50 years and over	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Influenza (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people) Pneumococcal polysaccharide (23vPPV) (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people)
65 years and over	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Influenza Pneumococcal polysaccharide (23vPPV)

* Please refer to reverse for footnotes

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Footnotes to National Immunisation Program Schedule

- a Hepatitis B vaccine should be given to all infants as soon as practicable after birth. The greatest benefit is if given within 24 hours, and must be given within 7 days.
- b Total of three doses of hepB required following the birth dose, at either 2m, 4m and 6m or at 2m, 4m and 12m.
- c Give a total of 4 doses of Hib vaccine (2m, 4m, 6m and 12m) if using PRP-T Hib containing vaccines.
- d Use PRP-OMP Hib containing vaccines in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children in areas of higher risk (Queensland, Northern Territory, Western Australia and South Australia) with a dose at 2m, 4m and 12m.
- e Medical at-risk children require a fourth dose of 7vPCV at 12 months of age, and a booster dose of 23vPPV at 4 years of age.
- f Two doses of hepatitis A vaccine are required for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children living in areas of higher risk (Queensland, Northern Territory, Western Australia and South Australia). Contact your State or Territory Health Department for details.
- g Contact your State or Territory Health Department for details.
- h These vaccines are for one cohort only within this age range, and should only be given if there is no prior history of disease or vaccination. Dose schedules may vary between jurisdictions. Contact your State or Territory Health Department for details.
- i This vaccine is for one cohort only within this age range. Contact your State or Territory Health Department for details.
- j Third dose of vaccine is dependent on vaccine brand used. Contact your State or Territory Health department for details

Further information

Further information and immunisation resources are available from the Immunise Australia Program website at www.immunise.health.gov.au or by contacting the infoline on **1800 671 811**.

You should contact your State or Territory health department for further information on the program specific to your State or Territory:

State/Territory	Contact Number
Australian Capital Territory	02 6205 2300
New South Wales	Public Health Unit (look under 'Health' in the White Pages)
Northern Territory	08 8922 8044
Queensland	07 3234 1500
South Australia	08 8226 7177
Tasmania	03 6222 7724 or 1800 671 738
Victoria	1300 882 008
Western Australia	08 9321 1312



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