

# Post Vaccination Advice



Any injection may result in soreness, redness, itching, swelling or burning at the injection site for one to two days. Sometimes a small, hard lump may persist for some weeks or more. This is no cause for concern. However, if any adverse events following vaccination are severe and persistent, or if you are worried, don't hesitate to contact the clinic.

## DTP/Td Vaccination (Infanrix/Boostrix/ADT)

**Adverse Effect:** Usually mild and transient; gone within 24 hours. Localised pain, redness, and swelling at the injection site. Low-grade temperature (fever). Feeling irritable, unsettled and generally unhappy may persist for 24-48 hours. Drowsiness.

### Treatment:

- Give extra fluids to drink.
- Do not overdress the baby if hot.
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed.

## Hepatitis A & B Vaccination (Twinrix/Engerix/ Havrix)

**Adverse Effect:** Very occasionally soreness and redness at the injection site. Low-grade temperature (fever).

### Treatment:

- Give extra fluids to drink
- Do not overdress the baby if hot
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen for pain, fever if needed.



**Hib Vaccination (Hiberix)**

**Adverse Effect:** Usually mild and transient. Mild temperature (fever). Localised pain, redness and swelling at the injection site.

**Treatment:**

- Give extra fluids to drink.
- Do not overdress the baby if hot.
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed.

**HPV Vaccination (Gardasil/Cervarix)**

**Adverse Effect:** Fever, abnormal redness of the skin. Pain over the injection site.

**Treatment:**

- Give extra fluids to drink
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed.

**Influenza Vaccination (Fluarix/Fluvax/Aggripal/ Vaxigrip/Fluarix Tetra/Fluquadri)**

**Adverse Effect:** Usually mild and transient. Low-grade temperature (fever). Occasional discomfort, redness, and swelling at the injection site.

**Treatment:** Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed.

**Meningococcal Gp C Vaccination (Neisvac-C)**

**Adverse Effect:** Pain over the injection site. Fever. Increased crying and irritability. A decreased appetite and vomiting.

**Treatment:**

- Give extra fluids to drink
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed.

**MMR & Chickenpox Vaccination (Priorix/Varilrix/ Priorix-Tetra)**

**Adverse Effect:** Fever 4-12 days post-vaccination, rash (non-infectious). Lethargy, fatigue, irritability. Pain over the injection site.

**Treatment:**

- General weakness
- Give fluids to drink
- Do not overdress the baby if hot
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed.



**Polio Vaccination (Imovax Polio)**

**Adverse Effect:** Very rarely any adverse event. Occasionally pain at the injection site.

**Treatment:**

- No treatment is usually needed
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen for pain if required.

**Rabies Vaccination (Rabipur)**

**Adverse Effect:** Localised pain, redness, and swelling at the injection site. Fever, faintness, headache, nausea.

**Treatment:**

- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed
- Rest

**Meningitis (Menactra/Mecevax /Nimenrix) Vaccination & Pneumococcal Vaccinations (Pneumo 23)**

**Adverse Effect:** Localised pain, redness, and swelling at the injection site. Headache, fatigue, fever.

**Treatment:**

- Give extra fluids to drink
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed/rest.

**Pneumococcal Vaccination (Prevenar)**

**Adverse Effect:** Mild pain. Warmth and swelling at the injection site. Fever, irritability, drowsiness. Gastrointestinal upset within 24 hours.

**Treatment:**

- Give extra fluids to drink
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed.

**Japanese Encephalitis Vaccination (Imojev)**

**Adverse Effect:** Localised pain, redness, itching, vomiting, loss of appetite, tiredness, myalgia, and low-grade temperature (fever).

**Treatment:**

- Give extra fluids to drink
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed

**Shingles (Shingrix)**

**Adverse Effect:** Headache, erythema, pain at the injection site, swelling

**Treatment:**

- Give extra fluids to drink
- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen to lower fever if needed.



**Oral Typhoid Vaccination (Vivotif)**

**Adverse Effect:** Abdominal pain, nausea, diarrhoea, vomiting, low-grade temperature (fever), influenza-like illness, headache, rash.

**Treatment:**

- Give paracetamol/ibuprofen if needed.

**Yellow Fever Vaccination (Stamaril)**

**Adverse Effect:** Headache. Rash. Fever 3-9 days post-vaccination.

**Treatment:**

- Remain in the clinic for observation for 30 minutes
- Give extra fluids to drink
- Seek prompt treatment for any allergic reaction

**Cholera/Traveller's Diarrhoea (Dukoral)**

**Adverse Effect:** Diarrhoea, stomach pain, gurgling & bloating stomach, stomach gas, headaches.

**Treatment:**

- Remain fasted (avoid food, sips of water are allowed) for 1 hour after administration
- Give extra fluids to drink.

