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IMPORTANT NEWS
Re: Primary Childhood Immunisation Schedule

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Dear Doctor

I am writing to update you about the Primary Childhood Immunisation Schedule introduced in 2016.

As part of the 2016 changes, all babies born on or after October 1st 2016 will receive a combined Haemophilus influenzae type b/Meningococcal group C (Hib/MenC) vaccine at 13 months. This combined vaccine Menitorix (GSK) will replace the current individual Men C and Hib vaccines given at 13 months.

Babies born before 1 October 2016 should remain on the old schedule and receive separate Hib and MenC vaccines at 13 months, Hiberix and Menjugate, regardless of when they present for vaccination.

Further information may be found at www.immunisation.ie and www.ordervaccines.ie

Your cooperation in this is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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PRIMARY CHILDHOOD IMMUNISATION SCHEDULE				
	Babies born before 1 st October 2016		Babies born on or after 1 st October 2016	
Age (months)	Vaccine	No of injections	Vaccine	No of injections
2	6 in 1 +PCV	2	6 in 1 + PCV+ MenB + Rotavirus	3 + oral vaccine
4	6 in 1 + MenC	2	6 in 1 + MenB + Rotavirus	2 + oral vaccine
6	6 in 1 + PCV	2	6 in 1 + PCV + MenC	3
12	MMR + PCV	2	MMR + MenB	2
13	MenC + Hib	2	Hib/MenC + PCV	2

6 in 1 Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Polio, Haemophilus influenzae type b, Hepatitis B vaccine
Hib/MenC Haemophilus influenzae type b/ Meningococcal C vaccine
MenB Meningococcal B vaccine
MenC Meningococcal C vaccine
MMR Measles, Mumps, Rubella vaccine
PCV Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine