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Ontario Provincial Immunization Schedule Updates

The Ontario Provincial Schedule was recently updated. We have included some highlights for you.

Routine Schedule – this section has been updated to reflect changes that have happened since the last schedule was published

- **Rota-5** is a 3-dose series given at 2, 4 and 6 months.
- **12 months vaccines (MMR, Men-C-C, Pneu-C-13)** continue to be recommended on or after the child's first birthday
- **School age boosters (Tdap-IPV and MMRV)** are recommended at age 4 instead of 4-6 years, followed by the adolescent **Tdap** booster at age 14 years.
- **HPV4** has been changed to **HPV9** and is offered to all grade 7 students.
- **Herpes zoster** is a two-dose series at 0 and 2-6 months for individuals from age 65 through 70 years.

Catch-Up Schedule 1: Children Starting Immunization between 1-6 years

- **DTaP-IPV-Hib** is to be used for the primary series of all children under age 7 years

Catch-Up Schedule 3: Adults starting Immunization at 18 Years and Older

- **Var** recommended for those born in or after 2000
- **Td-IPV is no longer available. Td and IPV** are given separately

Table 3: High Risk Vaccine Programs

- **Men-C-ACYW** is used for high-risk individuals age 56 years and older as Men-P-ACYW is no longer available

You can find the immunization schedule by visiting:

<http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/immunization/schedule.aspx>

Our vaccine order forms have been updated to reflect the vaccines on the new Ontario Immunization Schedule:

<https://www.swpublichealth.ca/en/partners-and-professionals/vaccine-ordering-and-fridge-inspections.aspx>.

If you have any questions about the updates, please call us at **1-800-922-0096**

and ask for a member of the Vaccine Preventable Diseases team.