



Child Care Benefit (Vaccination Schedules) (Education) Determination 2015

I, SIMON BIRMINGHAM, Minister for Education and Training, make this determination under section 4 of the *A New Tax System (Family Assistance) Act 1999*.

Dated: 15 December 2015

SIMON BIRMINGHAM
Minister for Education and Training

Part 1 Preliminary

1 Name of determination

This determination is the *Child Care Benefit (Vaccination Schedules) (Education) Determination 2015*.

2 Commencement

This determination commences on 1 January 2016.

3 Revocation

The *Child Care Benefit (Vaccination Schedules) (DEEWR) Determination 2013* is revoked.

4 Definitions

In this determination:

National Health and Medical Research Council means the council established by section 5B of the *National Health and Medical Research Council Act 1992*.

Australian Immunisation Handbook means the 10th edition of the *Australian Immunisation Handbook*, published by the National Health and Medical Research Council.

Note: As of 30 September 2015, the Australian Immunisation Handbook can be found at:

<http://www.immunise.health.gov.au/internet/immunise/publishing.nsf/Content/Handbook10-home>.

Hib means Haemophilus influenza type b.

5 Application

(1) This determination applies to child care benefit.

(2) This determination applies in relation to working out whether an individual, or an approved child care service, is eligible for child care benefit for care provided to a child on or after 1 January 2016.

Part 2 Vaccination schedules

6 Standard vaccination schedule

- (1) For paragraph (a) of the definition of *immunised* in subsection 3(1) of the Act, the standard vaccination schedule for a child is determined by the following table.

If the child was born... ... then the standard vaccination schedule for the child is the schedule set out in the following Schedule to this determination

before 1 May 1998	Schedule 1
on or after 1 May 1998 and before 1 July 2012	Schedule 2
on or after 1 July 2012 and before 1 October 2014	Schedule 3
on or after 1 October 2014	Schedule 4

- (2) The following paragraphs form part of the standard vaccination schedules mentioned in subsection (1):
- (a) a child must receive a vaccination against each antigen or disease mentioned in column 3 of an item of the standard vaccination schedule for the child within one month of reaching the age mentioned in column 2 for that item; and
 - (b) the vaccine for the vaccination against each antigen or disease mentioned in the standard vaccination schedule for a child must be, if the child receives the vaccination in Australia:
 - (i) administered to the child by a recognised immunisation provider; and
 - (ii) registered as a vaccine on the Australian Register of Therapeutic Goods established under Part 2A of the *Therapeutic Goods Act 1989*.

7 Catch up vaccination schedule

For paragraph (b) of the definition of *immunised* in subsection 3(1) of the Act, the catch up vaccination schedule for a child is the catch up vaccination schedule for the child determined in accordance with section 2.1.5 of the Australian Immunisation Handbook, to the extent that the schedule relates to the antigens and diseases mentioned in column 3 of Schedules 1 to 4 to this determination (*relevant antigens and diseases*).

Note: It is intended that the timing of catch up vaccinations will be individual to the particular child after appropriate consideration by the recognised immunisation provider of any diseases or antigens the child may already have been vaccinated against.

Schedule 1 Standard vaccination schedule – child born before 1 May 1998

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Item	Child's age	Antigen or disease
1	2 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib
2	4 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib
3	6 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib
4	12 months	Measles Mumps Rubella Hib
5	4 years	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Measles Mumps Rubella
Note:	To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for each income year, a child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 5.	

Schedule 2 Standard vaccination schedule – child born on or after 1 May 1998 and before 1 July 2012

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Item	Child's age	Antigen or disease
1	2 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib Hepatitis B*
2	4 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib Hepatitis B*
3	6 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib Hepatitis B (or at 12 months)*
4	12 months	Measles Mumps Rubella Hib Hepatitis B (or at 6 months)*
5	4 years	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Measles Mumps Rubella

* Hepatitis B is required for a child born on or after 1 May 2000.

- Note 1: To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for the income year in which a child turned 1, the child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 3.
- Note 2: To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for the income year in which a child turned 2 or 3, the child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 4.
- Note 3: To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for the income year in which a child turned 4 and in each subsequent income year, the child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 5.

Schedule 3 Standard vaccination schedule – child born on or after 1 July 2012 and before 1 October 2014

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Item	Child's age	Antigen or disease
1	2 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib Hepatitis B Pneumococcal
2	4 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib Hepatitis B Pneumococcal
3	6 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib Hepatitis B (or at 12 months) Pneumococcal
4	12 months	Measles Mumps Rubella Hib Hepatitis B (or at 6 months) Meningococcal C
5	18 months	Measles Mumps Rubella Varicella
6	4 years	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio

Note 1: To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for the income year in which a child turned 1, the child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 3.

Note 2: To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for the income year in which a child turned 2 or 3, the child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 5.

Note 3: To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for the income year in which a child turned 4 and in each subsequent income year, the child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 6

Schedule 4 Standard vaccination schedule – child born on or after 1 October 2014

Column 1 Item	Column 2 Child's age	Column 3 Antigen or disease
1	2 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib Hepatitis B Pneumococcal
2	4 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib Hepatitis B Pneumococcal
3	6 months	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio Hib Hepatitis B Pneumococcal
4	12 months	Measles Mumps Rubella Hib Meningococcal C
5	18 months	Measles Mumps Rubella Varicella Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis
6	4 years	Diphtheria Tetanus Pertussis Polio

Note 1: To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for the income year in which a child turned 1, the child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 3.

Note 2: To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for the income year in which a child turned 2 or 3, the child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 5.

Note 3: To meet the immunisation requirements for child care benefit for the income year in which a child turned 4 and in each subsequent income year, the child must have received vaccinations against each disease or antigen listed in items 1 to 6.