

THE NEW PINPRICK PROGRAMME

Age	Vaccine	Cost*
At birth	BCG (Bacillus Calmette-Guerin)	Rs250
	OPV 0 (Oral Polio Vaccine)	Rs50 (approx)
	Hepatitis B 1	Rs50-200
6 weeks	DTwP 1 (Diphtheria, Tetanus, wholecell Pertussis) or DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus, acellular Pertussis)	Rs450 (approx) Rs50-350 (approx)
	Hib 1 (Haemophilus influenzae type b)	Rs450 (approx)
	Hepatitis B 2, OPV 1	(same as first dose)
10 weeks	DTwP 2 or DTaP 2; OPV 2; Hib 2	(same as first doses)
14 weeks	DTwP 3 or DTaP 3; OPV 3; Hib 3; Hepatitis B 3 (can also be given at six months)	(same as first doses)
9 months	Measles	Rs100 (approx)
15-18 months	DTwP or DTaP booster 1; Hib booster; OPV 4;	(same as first doses)
	Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)	Rs50-250 (approx)
2 years	Typhoid (revaccination every 3 years)	Rs400
5 years	DTwP or DTaP booster 2, MMR 2	(same as first doses)

Vaccines to be given on discussion with parents

- **Pneumococcal conjugate:** Three primary doses at 6, 10 and 14 weeks, followed by a booster at 15-18 months. Cost*: Rs4,000 (approx)
- **Rotavirus:** Two-three doses (depending on the brand) at 4-8-week intervals, when the child is more than six months. Cost*: Rs1,000 (approx)
- **Varicella:** Single dose if the child is less than 13 years or two doses at 4-8-week intervals if the child is above 13 years. Cost*: Rs1,500
- **Hepatitis A:** Two doses at six-month intervals. Cost*: Rs1,000-2,000 (depending on the brand)

* Cost per dosage

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