

Vaccinations and Vitamin Injection for Infants

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Based on the Child Immunization Program established by the Department of Health in Hong Kong, the following vaccinations and vitamin K injections will be given to newborn babies:

I. <u>Vaccination</u>

Name of Vaccine	Advantages
BCG Vaccine	To protect against tuberculosis
Hepatitis B	To protect against Hepatitis B and related complications
Hepatitis B Immunoglobulin	To prevent Hepatitis B infection in infants born to mothers who are Hepatitis B carriers

II. <u>Vitamin</u>

Name of Vitamin	Advantages
Vitamin K	To prevent bleeding in newborns resulting from vitamin K deficiency

Circumstances when immunization is not suitable

- ♦ Congenital immunodeficiency
- ♦ Severe allergic reaction after vaccination
- ♦ Drug allergy or hypersensitivity

Reaction after immunization

♦ Slight swelling and pain around the injection site

Remarks:

- 1. This information sheet serves as a reference only.
- 2. Expectant mothers shall sign a consent to agree that the above-named vaccinations and vitamin K injection will be given to the newborn baby. Please notify the nursing staff if you refuse to consent and seek advice from the attending doctor.
- 3. Details of the immunization plan can be obtained from the Hong Kong Childhood Immunization Program issued by the Centre for Health Protection, the Department of Health, or Maternal and Child Health Centres (Please call the 24-hour Information Hotline 2112-9900 to inquire about the addresses and telephone numbers of Maternal and Child Health Centres).
- 4. For further health information, please call the 24-hour Health Education Hotline of the Department of Health at 2833 0111.

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