MUTIPLE INJECTION SITES FOR VACCINATION

**BEFORE YOU BEGIN:** Is an anaphylaxis response kit available? Are there any contraindications or precautions to the scheduled vaccines for this child? Is there a need for any additional / catch up vaccines? Have you discussed the risks and benefits of the vaccinations with the parent/carer and documented that consent was given? Have the vaccines been stored correctly (between +2 to +8°C)? Are you giving any vaccines that require reconstitution (e.g. Infanrix Hexa)? Rotavirus vaccine dosage schedule (Dose 1 given between 6-12 weeks; Dose 2 given between 10-12 weeks; Dose 3 given between 14-32 weeks). No catch up for rotavirus vaccines. Have you checked if the vaccines are administered intramuscularly, subcutaneously or orally? For more information refer to the Australian Immunisation Handbook, 9th edition 2008. pgs 44-57.

The child should remain in the practice for a minimum of 15 minutes after vaccination for post-vaccination monitoring.

### 2, 4, 6 MONTHS
- **Pneumococcal**
- **Hib / Hep B / IPV (IM)**
- **DTPa**
- **7vPCV (IM)**
- **Also give:**
  - **Rotavirus Vaccine (Given Orally)**

### 12 MONTHS
- **Hib (IM)**
- **Measles / Mumps / Rubella (IM)**
- **Meningococcal C (IM)**

### 18 MONTHS
- **Varicella (SC)**

### 4 YEARS OLD
- **DTPa / IPV (IM)**
- **Measles / Mumps / Rubella (IM)**

### INTRAMUSCULAR (IM)
**ANTEROLATERAL THIGH OR DELTOID**
- Angle of needle 90° to the skin
- 23 or 25 gauge needle
- 25 mm in length
- (16mm may be used for small infants)

### SUBCUTANEOUS (SC)
- Angle of needle 45° to the skin
- 25 or 26 gauge needle
- 16mm in length

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