



CHILDHOOD IMMUNISATIONS

6-8 Week Baby Check



Frequently Asked Questions By Parents:

1) Vaccines offered at the 6-8 week baby check?

- **6-in-1 vaccine** (diphtheria, hepatitis B, Hib (Haemophilus influenzae type b), polio, tetanus, whooping cough)
- **Rotavirus vaccine**
- **MenB vaccine**

2) Contents of the Vaccines?

- **6-in-1 vaccine :**
<https://vaccineknowledge.ox.ac.uk/6-in-1-vaccine#Ingredients>
- **Rotavirus :**
<https://vaccineknowledge.ox.ac.uk/rotavirus-vaccine#Ingredients>
- **MenB :**
<https://vaccineknowledge.ox.ac.uk/menb-vaccine#Ingredients>

3) Benefits of multiple vaccines?

- Safe
- Better protection as less waiting time
- More convenient than multiple appointments
- Fewer injections for child

4) Religious & Ethical considerations?

- None of the vaccines offered at the 6-8 week baby check contain gelatine.
- <https://vaccineknowledge.ox.ac.uk/gelatine#Why-is-gelatine-used-in-vaccines>

5) Developmental Concerns?

- Following a study conducted in 1998, there have been concerns surrounding the link between MMR vaccines and autism.
- The vaccines offered at the 6-8 week baby check have not been linked to autism.
- Extensive research has since proven that there is **no link** between vaccines and developing autism.
- <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccinesafety/concerns/autism.html>

6) Early age of vaccination?

- Early vaccination prepares your child's body to fight serious infections.
- This stops them developing these later on.
- Your child is protected sooner.
- <https://ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/2016/04/25/14-questions-new-parents-ask-about-vaccination/>

Further information:

<https://www.nhs.uk/start-for-life/baby/baby-basics/caring-for-your-baby/vaccinations-and-newborn-screening-tests/>

<https://healthforunder5s.co.uk/sections/baby/vaccinating-your-baby/?set-location=3>

