

## Vaccinations for children

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Vaccination can prevent infections, as well as prevent diseases from becoming more serious after infection. To protect your child's health, be sure to follow your child's vaccination schedule.

The age at which children start regular vaccinations, the number of doses they receive, the gap between doses, and so on, are all defined in Japanese law and other regulations. Vaccinations for children are free.

You can vaccinate your child once they are 2 months old. Consult with your regular doctor (a pediatrician or other specialist) and plan ahead.

**Inquires:** Children and Youth Support Department (*Kodomo Seishōnen Shien Bu*)

Tel: 082-504-2623

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Vaccine	What it can prevent
<b>DPT-IPV-Hib vaccine</b> <small>しゅこんごう</small> 5種混合ワクチン <i>Goshu kongō wakuchin</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Diphtheria</li> <li>▪ Tetanus</li> <li>▪ Hib</li> <li>▪ Pertussis (Whooping cough)</li> <li>▪ Polio</li> </ul> <p><i>All are serious infectious diseases that can lead to death</i></p>

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Vaccine	What it can prevent
<b>Hepatitis B vaccine</b> <small>がたかんえん</small> B型肝炎ワクチン <i>B gata kan'en wakuchin</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hepatitis</li> <li>▪ Liver cirrhosis</li> <li>▪ Liver cancer</li> <li>▪ Others</li> </ul>
<b>Pediatric pneumococcal vaccines</b> <small>しょうに ようはいえんきゅうきん</small> 小児用肺炎球菌ワクチン <i>Shōni-yō haien kyūkin wakuchin</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sepsis</li> <li>▪ Pneumonia</li> <li>▪ Others</li> </ul>
<b>Rotavirus vaccine</b> ロタウイルス <i>Rotairusu wakuchin</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Rotavirus</li> </ul>

<b>BCG Vaccine</b>	BCG ワクチン <i>BCG wakuchin</i>	▪ Tuberculosis (TB)
<b>Measles and rubella vaccine</b>	麻疹・風疹ワクチン <i>Mashin fūshin wakuchin</i>	▪ Measles ▪ Rubella
<b>Chickenpox vaccine</b>	水痘 / 水ぼうそうワクチン <i>Suitō/mizubōsō wakuchin</i>	▪ Chickenpox.
<b>Japanese encephalitis vaccine</b>	日本脳炎ワクチン <i>Nihon nōen Wakuchin</i>	▪ Japanese encephalitis

Information, including the age at which children start regular vaccinations, the number of doses they receive, the gap between doses is available on the City's official websites:

**For the DPT-IPV-Hib vaccines**

<https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/soshiki/72/367359.html> (in Japanese)



**For children's vaccines in general**

<https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/soshiki/72/2952.html> (in Japanese)



**Inquires:** Community Support Division (*Chi'iki Sasaeai Ka*) of your local ward office

Ward	Telephone	Ward	Telephone	Hours
Naka	082-504-2528	Asaminami	082-831-4942	Monday to Friday 8:30 am-5:15 pm
Higashi	082-568-7729	Asakita	082-819-0586	
Minami	082-250-4108	Aki	082-821-2809	Closed: National holidays, August 6, 12/29-1/3
Nishi	082-294-6235	Saeki	082-943-9731	



**Childcare Support App: *Boshimo***

*Boshimo* is a maternal and child health handbook app that provides helpful information on childcare. You can manage your children's vaccination records with this app.

This digital service is available in 12 different languages (Japanese, English, Chinese (traditional and simplified), Korean, Portuguese, Spanish, Tagalog, Thai, Vietnamese, Indonesian, Russian, and Nepali).

For more information about *Boshimo*, please see the official City of Hiroshima website:

<https://www.city.hiroshima.lg.jp/soshiki/84/4852.html> (in Japanese)

