

**Health Care Education
Vaccines (Immunizations) for children**



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And when I am sick, then He heals me. - - - Al Quran – Ash-Shuraa, Verse 26:80

*The Prophet SAWS said: “Allah SWT has not created any disease without also creating a cure for it...”
(Agreed upon)*

HIB Meningitis Vaccine

What is HIB?

HIB stands for Hemophilus Influenza - B

What diseases does HIB cause?

- Meningitis (Brain Fever: it is dangerous and can be lethal.)
- Pneumonia
- Septicemia
- Inflammation of the covering layer of the heart (pericarditis)
- Suppurative Otitis (ear discharge)

When should my child get the HIB vaccine?

Your child's doctor will give your child the Hib vaccine at her 2-, 4-, 6-, and 12- or 15-month checkups (except in the case of one brand of the vaccine that doesn't need to be given at 6 months).

Who shouldn't get the HIB vaccine?

Children younger than 6 weeks old shouldn't get the Hib vaccine. And no one who has had a serious allergic reaction to a previous dose

should get the vaccine.

What precautions should I take, if any?

If your child is moderately to severely ill at the time the shot is scheduled, you should probably wait until she recovers, just so she'll be better able to tolerate the shot.

What are the possible side effects or risks of an adverse reaction?

Up to a quarter of children have some redness, warmth, or swelling at the site of the injection. One in 20 children has a fever of 101 degrees F (38.3 Celsius) or higher. These symptoms may show up within a day of vaccination and can last two to three days.

Severe allergic reactions are rare but possible with any vaccine. Symptoms — which include difficulty breathing, hoarseness or wheezing, hives, paleness, weakness, faster heartbeat, and dizziness — would occur from a few minutes to a few hours after the shot was administered. Call your doctor immediately if your child shows any of these signs.