



Lothian NHS Board

GP Letter B

Babies receiving HB Vaccine only (No HBIG)

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Date

Dear Dr

PREVENTION OF HEPATITIS B TRANSMISSION IN AT-RISK INFANTS

MOTHERS NAME:
BABY'S NAME:
BABY'S CHI:

MOTHERS DOB:
BABY'S DOB:

Routine antenatal screening shows that this woman is infected with hepatitis B virus. Her baby requires to be protected against this infection by immunisation against hepatitis B.

Hospital staff have administered the first dose of monovalent hepatitis B vaccine before discharge. Hepatitis B immunoglobulin (HBIG) was NOT indicated for this baby.

The baby will receive a second (monovalent) paediatric hepatitis B vaccine at 1 month organised by Public Health, then continue on the routine vaccination schedule of hexavalent vaccine (which contains hepatitis B) at 2, 3, and 4 months of age. A further monovalent paediatric hepatitis B vaccine will be due at 12 months; the child will be sent SIRS reminders for all these vaccines by Child Health. The mother can be advised that if the child is being vaccinated, breastfeeding is safe.

You should have received a separate letter from the health protection team with details of other household and sexual contacts who have been referred to CTACs for testing and immunisation.

Yours sincerely

Hospital Team
On behalf of
Health Protection Team

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Hepatitis B immunisation schedules

Age	Routine Childhood Programme		Babies born to Hepatitis B Infected Mothers	
At birth (in hospital)	X		✓	Monovalent HepB (with HBIG if indicated)
4 weeks	X		✓	Monovalent HepB
8 weeks	✓	Hexavalent	✓	Hexavalent
12 weeks	✓	Hexavalent	✓	Hexavalent
16 weeks	✓	Hexavalent	✓	Hexavalent
12 months	X		✓	Monovalent HepB
14 months (at hospital)	X		✓	Blood test
Pre- school Hepatitis B Booster	X		X	