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1. What are the vaccination requirements for enrolment in MOE Kindergartens (MK)?

Children who wish to enrol in MK <u>from 1 Apr 2020</u> must have received at least one dose of measles vaccination and have completed three doses (primary series) of diphtheria vaccination (1M3D). The official records downloaded from National Immunisation Registry (NIR) must be furnished as proof of vaccination. Records in Health Booklet will not be accepted as proof of vaccination. (Please see Question 13 for more info on NIR.)

2. Are there exemptions to the 1M3D requirement?

For non-immunised children who are exempted from receiving the immunisations, parents/legal guardians must substantiate with a documentary proof from a medical practitioner. Children with valid supporting documents on exemption from vaccination should be allowed to enrol in the MKs. MOH has advised that some of these children may be temporarily unfit due to acute illnesses and they should receive the vaccination once they recover.

3. Where can I find the list of vaccinations?

Please find vaccination information at www.nir.hpb.gov.sg.

4. What do the NIR vaccination records look like?

Please see the samples in Annex A.

5. Who can I ask regarding vaccination?

Please send your queries to HPB at hpb nir@hpb.gov.sg.

6. My child has missed the diphtheria/measles vaccination. Where can my child take the vaccination?

Your child can take the vaccination at any polyclinic or private clinic in Singapore. Upon completion of vaccination, request the doctor/clinic to issue the Certificate of Vaccination as proof of vaccination.

7. What are the charges for diphtheria/measles vaccination?

Diphtheria and measles vaccination are fully subsidised for children who are Singapore citizens and at subsidised rate for children who are Singapore Permanent Residents when the vaccination is taken at any polyclinic and CHAS GP ¹ clinics with effect from 1 Nov 2020.

Charges at private clinic vary. You may enquire with the clinic directly.

8. How do I make an appointment for my child's vaccination?

You need to contact any polyclinic / private clinic directly to schedule an appointment for your child's vaccination.

9. My child has taken all/some vaccinations overseas, how do I update the vaccination records?

You can email your child's vaccination records taken overseas to NIR at hpb_nir@hpb.gov.sg with the following documents/information:

- a. Child's Birth Cert (inclusive of both parent's name in English)
- b. Child's Singapore Citizenship certificate / Dependant Pass / Long Term Visit Pass, Student Pass, Re-entry Permit, etc (If child is not born in Singapore)

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- c. Child immunisation records both done overseas and Singapore
- d. Both parent's Singapore ID (front & back)
- e. Both parent's contact phone No. & email address
- f. Current residential & mailing address

Remarks: Non-English records need to be translated. Original documents in foreign language and English translated documents are required to be submitted.

10. Some of my child's vaccinations taken in Singapore are not found in the online downloaded document. What should I do?

For vaccinations done in Singapore, you may inform the doctor/clinic to update the records via NIR website at www.nir.hpb.gov.sg/nird/ens/enslogin . Parents can access NIR using your SingPass.

11. There is no vaccination requirement in my home country. What should I do to fulfil the current school registration vaccination requirement?

Your child will need to complete the measles and diphtheria vaccination according to the Singapore National Childhood Immunisation Schedule before your child can be accepted to the kindergarten.

12. My child has missed the vaccination at the recommended age based on the vaccination schedule, can he/she take the vaccination now?

Yes, your child can still take the vaccination if he/she has missed the vaccination recommended age.

13. How can I download the vaccination records from NIR?

You can view and print your child's immunisation records by accessing www.nir.hpb.gov.sg with your SingPass and password following the steps as follows:

- a. Access NIR website www.nir.hpb.gov.sg
- b. Click on "SingPass" icon on the left-hand side of the web page to log in
- c. The system will redirect to SingPass and after you enter your SingPass and password you will be brought back to NIR website
- d. Click "My Child"
- e. Enter your child ID or child's name with date of birth. Click "Search"
- f. Click "Link As Dependant" (checked box on the right) so that you do not need to re-enter your child's ID or name & date of birth in the next log in
- g. Click on Child's ID
- h. Click on print icon "
- i. Your child's Immunisation History will be generated in "pdf" format
- j. Save the document and print

Do note that your latest Singapore NRIC must be linked with your child's Birth Certificate No. or Foreign Identification Number before you can access your child's record successfully.

You may email hpb_nir@hpb.gov.sg a copy of <u>your child's Birth Certificate</u>, <u>child's Singapore ID</u># <u>documents</u> (if child is born overseas) with both parent's latest Singapore ID# documents to National Immunisation Registry if there has been a change in your Singapore ID# type since your child was born or first registered with NIR.

: Singapore ID refers to Dependant Pass (DP), Long Term Visit Pass (LTVP), Student Pass (STP), Reentry Permit, Citizenship Certificate, Employment Pass (EP), Work Permit (WP), etc

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14. I have misplaced my child's vaccination records. How can I retrieve the vaccination records?

You may access NIR website (www.nir.hpb.gov.sg) to download a copy of your child's immunisation records if the records have been notified to NIR previously.

If the records were not notified to NIR previously, you will need to obtain a copy of the vaccination records from the clinic where your child took the vaccinations, and print your child's immunisation records (See Question 20) to submit to the centre/kindergarten.

The vaccination records should indicate clearly your child's name, date of birth, gender, name of vaccination taken and vaccination date (DD/MM/YYYY).

For vaccination done in overseas, please refer to Question 9 to notify NIR.

For vaccination done in Singapore, please refer to Question 10 to notify NIR.

15. My child has not taken any vaccination so far, can he/she take all the vaccinations on the same day?

No. There is a minimum age and minimum interval requirements for diphtheria and measles vaccination doses

Vaccination	Minimum Age	Minimum interval between doses
Diphtheria	6 weeks old	 Between primary doses (D1/D2/D3): 4 weeks Between primary dose (D3) and booster dose (B1): 6 months
Measles	12 months old	4 weeks

16. When was diphtheria and measles vaccinations made compulsory in Singapore?

Diphtheria vaccination was made compulsory in 1977 while measles vaccination was introduced from October 1976 and made compulsory in August 1985 for children age 1 to 2 years old.

17. Is there a penalty for not vaccinating my child against diphtheria/measles?

Under the Infectious Diseases (Diphtheria and Measles Vaccination) Regulations, it is compulsory for parents and guardians to have their child vaccinated against Diphtheria and Measles. The penalty for non-compliance is a fine of up to \$500 for the first offence and up to \$1,000 for the second or subsequent offence.

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Annex A

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SUMMARY OF IMMUNISATION HISTORY AS REPORTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 48(2)(b)(i) OF THE INFECTIOUS DISEASES ACT (CAP 137)

The following is a record of the child's immunisation history as reported to the Health Promotion Board and as derived from the computerised records of the National Immunisation Registry.

PERSONAL PARTICULARS F1234567H

01/01/2018

DETAILS OF VACCINATION

Date of Birth:

Country of Birth:

Date of Immunisation Type of Immunisation Place of Immunisation BCG D1 (BCG) 01/01/2018 OVERSEAS DTPa D1 (Diphtheria/Tetanus with acellular Pertussis [5in1]) 01/03/2018 OVERSEAS DTPa D2 (Diphtheria/Tetanus with acellular Pertusais [5in1]) 01/04/2018 OVERSEAS DTPa D3 (Diphtheria/Tetanus with acellular Pertussis [HEXA]) 01/06/2018 OVERSEAS DTPa B1 (Diphtheria/Tetanus with acelular Pertussis [5in1]) 01/08/2019 OVERSEAS HIB D1 (Haemophilus influenza type B [Sin1]) 01/03/2018 OVERSEAS HiB D2 (Haemophilus influenza type B (5in17) 01/04/2018 OVERSEAS HiB D3 (Haemophilus influenza type B [HEXA]) 01/06/2018 OVERSEAS HiB B1 (Haemophilus influenza type B [Sin1]) 01/08/2019 OVERSEAS IPV D1 (Inactivated Polio Vaccine [5in1]) 01/03/2018 OVERSEAS IPV D2 (Inactivated Polio Vaccine [5in1])

01/04/2018

02/01/2018

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PERSONAL PARTICULARS

F1234567H

01/01/2018

Date of Birth:

HEPB D2 (Hepatitis B)

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MUMP D1 (Mumps [MMR])

RUB D1 (Rubella [MMR])

AMI D2 (Measles [MMR])

MUMP D2 (Mumps [MMR])

RUB D2 (Rubella [MMR])

PNC D1 (Pneumococcal)

HEPB D3 (Hepatitis B [HEXA])

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PERSONAL PARTICULARS TESTCHILD

Date of Birth: 01/01/2018

Country of Birth: MALAYSIA

DETAILS OF VACCINATION

Note: National Immunisation Registry has verified the immunisation records for key vaccin Bacillus Calmette–Guérin (BCG), Diphtheria, Hepatitis B, Poliomyelitis and Measles,

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