

Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine



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		EMLc	ATC codes: J07AG01
Indication	Need for immunization against single bacterial diseases	ICD11 code: QC80	
Medicine type	Biological agent		
List type	Core		
Formulations	All vaccines should comply with the WHO requirements for biological substances.		
EML status history	First added in 2007 (TRS 946) Changed in 2007 (TRS 950) Changed in 2019 (TRS 1021)		
Sex	All		
Age	Also recommended for children		
Therapeutic alternatives	The recommendation is for this specific medicine		
Patent information	Patents have expired in most jurisdictions Read more about patents .		
Wikipedia	Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine		
DrugBank	Hemophilus (Haemophilus influenzae type b capsular polysaccharide meningococcal outer membrane protein conjugate antigen)		

Summary of evidence and Expert Committee recommendations

WHO immunization policy recommendations are published in vaccine position papers on the basis of recommendations made by the Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization (SAGE). WHO vaccine position papers are updated three to four times per year. Vaccines listed on the 2019 Model List are those for which there is a recommendation from SAGE and a corresponding WHO position paper as at December 2018. The September 2013 version of the WHO position paper for Haemophilus influenzae type b vaccine is attached. The most recent versions of the WHO position papers, reflecting the current evidence related to a specific vaccine and the related recommendations, can be accessed at any time on the WHO website at:

<http://www.who.int/immunization/documents/positionpapers/en/index.html>. Vaccine recommendations may be universal or conditional (e.g., in certain regions, in some high-risk populations or as part of immunization programmes with certain characteristics). Details are available in the relevant position papers, and in the Summary Tables of WHO Routine Immunization Recommendations available on the WHO website at:

http://www.who.int/immunization/policy/immunization_tables/en/index.html. Selection of vaccines from the Model List will need to be determined by each country after consideration of international recommendations, epidemiology and national priorities.

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