

<b>ROTARIX VACCINE</b> <b>Information Sheet for Vaccine Provider</b> <b>(Human rotavirus, live, attenuated, oral vaccine, GlaxoSmithKline Inc.)</b>	
Eligibility criteria for publicly funded Rotavirus vaccine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infants born 2017 and later who meet age requirements:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Less than 15 weeks of age for 1st dose</li> <li>- Less than 8 months of age for second dose</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Dosage, packaging, storage and stability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oral suspension (1.5 mL) in a squeezable tube format.</li> <li>• A clear, colorless liquid, free of visible particles.</li> <li>• Store in a refrigerator (2 °C to 8 °C). Do not freeze.</li> <li>• Store in original packaging to protect from light.</li> <li>• The expiry date is on the label and packaging.</li> </ul>
Dosing schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 dose series at 2 &amp; 4 months of age as part of routine immunization schedule. Minimum interval between doses <b>4 weeks</b>.</li> <li>- <u>1<sup>st</sup> dose</u>: minimum age is <b>6 weeks</b>; maximum age is <b>14 weeks and 6 days</b>.</li> <li>- <u>2<sup>nd</sup> dose</u>: minimum age is <b>10 weeks</b>; maximum age is <b>8 months</b>.</li> </ul>
Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ORAL ADMINISTRATION ONLY</b></li> <li>• Can be given at same time as other routine vaccines.</li> <li>• Can be administered to the following:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Breastfed infants</li> <li>- Infants living in households with pregnant women</li> <li>- Healthy preterm infants</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Precautions & Contraindications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Severe allergic reaction to a previous dose of the vaccine.</li> <li>• Allergic to any ingredient(s) of the vaccine or its container.</li> <li>• Immunocompromised.</li> <li>• History of intussusception.</li> <li>• Uncorrected congenital abdominal disorders (that increase the risk of intussusception).</li> <li>• Severe combined immunodeficiency disorder (SCID).</li> <li>• Diarrhea or vomiting (vaccine should be temporarily delayed).</li> </ul>
Adverse reactions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Irritability/ fussiness, fever, loss of appetite, cough /running nose, vomiting, and diarrhea</li> <li>• Intussusception (small increased risk of 1-7 cases per 100 000 doses administered in the 7 days following 1st or 2nd dose).</li> </ul>

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