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| **Check you are using the correct DTPa and dTpa containing vaccines** |  |
| National Immunisation Program age recommendations |  |

Use this resource in conjunction with the [Immunisation schedule Victoria and vaccine eligibility criteria](https://www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation/immunisation-schedule-victoria-and-vaccine-eligibility-criteria) <https://www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation/immunisation-schedule-victoria-and-vaccine-eligibility-criteria>.

# **DTPa containing vaccine - Childhood formulation – under 10 years of age**

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| Infanrix *hexa*® or Vaxelis®  Diphtheria-tetanus-acellular pertussis-poliomyelitis-hepatitis B-Hib | Infanrix hexa® packagingVaxelis® packaging |
| Age recommendation | Notes |
| * 2 months (from 6 weeks) * 4 months * 6 months * Children <10 years for catch-up | * Infanrix *hexa*® - Prefilled syringe of diluent contains Diphtheria-tetanus-acellular pertussis-poliomyelitis-hepatitis B to be mixed with vial containing *Haemophilus influenzae* type b * Vaxelis® - Prefilled syringe |
| Infanrix® or Tripacel®  Diphtheria-tetanus-acellular pertussis | Infanrix® packaging Tripacel® packaging |
| Age recommendation | Notes |
| * 18 months * Children <10 years for catch-up | * Infanrix® – Prefilled syringe * Tripacel® – Vial |
| Infanrix IPV® or Quadracel®  Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis-poliomyelitis | Infanrix IPV® packaging Quadracel® packaging |
| Age recommendation | Notes |
| * 4 years * Children <10 years for catch-up | * Infanrix-IPV® - Prefilled syringe * Quadracel® - Vial |

# **dTpa containing vaccine - Adolescent/Adult formulation – 10 years of age and older**

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| Adacel® or Boostrix®  Tetanus toxoid and reduced amount of diphtheria toxoid and acellular pertussis vaccine | Adacel® packagingBoostrix® packaging |
| Age recommendation | Notes |
| * Year 7 of secondary school or 12 – 13 years * 10 to <20 years for catch-up * Pregnant woman from 20 weeks’ gestation * Refugee / asylum seeker person ≥10 years * Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person ≥10 years. | * Prefilled syringe * Adults can receive 1 dose of dTpa vaccine at least 4 weeks after a dose of dT vaccine for pertussis protection. Studies show short intervals between doses are not associated with increased injection site reactions. |

Reference – The Australian Immunisation Handbook, <https://immunisationhandbook.health.gov.au>.

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