


New to Travel Course – Day 1

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About you




Where from?
Your job?
Your travel health experience?

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What do you hope to achieve from this course?




Write two goals down on the form provided

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What are my goals



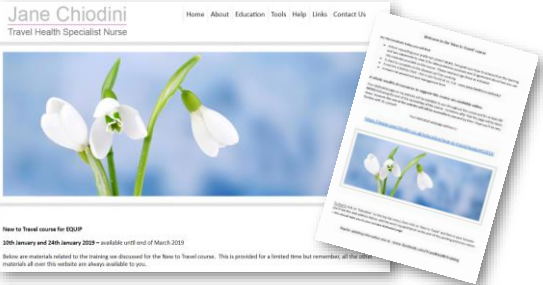
1. **Today** - I want you to understand the basic principles of a risk assessment, the diseases and vaccines and the resources to help put safe service together
2. **By the end of the two days** I'd like you to go away feeling more 'in control' for travel health, hopefully enthused about the subject and to potentially enjoy it in the future!

Competence comes with time and experience!

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Agenda

- Introduction to travel medicine
- Travel risk assessment
- Travel vaccines and related issues
- Travel medicine operational issues
- Recap on resources

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Recap of the subject onlinelearning

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An introduction to travel medicine – the key issues

- The travelling public needs to be well informed not only about their destinations and all of the cultural richness, but also **aware of the potential risks during their journey**
- Equally there needs to be a nucleus of GPs, practice nurses and other trained health professionals who are **knowledgeable about the risks on a country by country basis and who are confident about advising their patients** about each of the measures necessary to keep them healthy while travelling

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Who provides travel health advice?

- In other countries its traditionally the doctor who sees the traveller and performs the risk assessment, passing them on to the nurse to administer the vaccines and give some advice
- More recently pharmacists have become involved in travel medicine, especially in Canada and the UK
- In the UK, nurses have been undertaking all aspects of travel health since the early 1990s, from risk assessment to administration of vaccines and providing risk management advice. In some cases, nurses who have obtained a non medical prescribing qualification are not only prescribing but in some circumstances setting up and owning their own travel clinics

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Why is the practice of travel medicine different in the UK?

- National Health Service provides some travel vaccines free of charge – service provided in the majority of primary care settings as GPs are financially rewarded for the service
- Pressure on GPs with their workload so historically, they passed travel health on to the nurses, but now pharmacists are getting very involved as well, with private clinics are growing dramatically
- Some surgeries are ceasing the provision of a travel service – however, they are NOT allowed to do this unless they surrender the provision of the global sum which they receive for immunisation services

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Which travel vaccines are an NHS provision and which are private?

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Charging for travel vaccines in an NHS setting – covered in day 2

- Vaccines that must always be given as part of NHS provision** (hepatitis A all doses, combination A+B all doses, typhoid, combination typhoid and hep A, polio and cholera)
- Vaccines that cannot be given as an NHS service** (yellow fever, Japanese encephalitis, tick borne encephalitis and rabies for travel and more recently ACWY for travel – but see FAQ page)
- Vaccines that can be given as NHS or private service** (hepatitis B)

Note: Cholera and oral typhoid vaccines are now only NHS vaccines in an NHS setting

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General Practice in the UK



UK GP Statistics 2014 ¹

- 9,800 practices
- 7,962 in England
- 988 in Scotland
- 470 in Wales
- 363 in Northern Ireland

43,000+ GPs

General Practice Nursing in 2013 ²


14,943 full-time equivalent GP practice nurses

1. BMA Press Briefing – General Practice in the UK July 2014 (accessed January 2016)
<http://www.bma.org.uk/search?query=press%20briefing%20general%20practice%20in%20the%20uk>
 2. http://www.pulsetoday.co.uk/hot-topics/practice-news/gp-practice-nurse-numbers-grow-by-17/2009656_fullarticle

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Governance for health care professionals – working within ‘our codes’




http://www.gmc-uk.org/Good_medical_practice_English_1215.pdf_51527435.pdf
<https://www.pharmico.gov.uk/standards-for-pharmacy-professionals>
<http://www.nmc-uk.org/Documents/Standards/The-code-A4-20100006.pdf>

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A key document for those undertaking travel medicine



Includes

- History of travel medicine
- Details about the provision of a travel service
- Risk assessment
- Competencies
- Forms
- Resources

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New inclusions - Page 9

A statement is included for those who run Yellow Fever Vaccination Centres in the UK acknowledging that whilst YF training is not mandatory for all individuals administering the vaccine, both NaTHNaC and Health Protection Scotland (HPS) recommend:

all those responsible for administering YF vaccine complete the training for their own accountability and good practice

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New inclusions

- There is now greater awareness of the potential identification of a traveller within a consultation going abroad for the purpose of FGM or of forced marriage. These topics are included within the sections for young travellers, female travellers, plus FGM is included in the risk assessment form (p. 12, 15, 29).
- Similarly, LGBT and transgender travellers are highlighted (page 13).

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Three levels of nurses

Competent nurse	Experienced / proficient nurse	Senior practitioner / expert nurse
See slides to follow outlining expectations	Fulfil points of competent nurse as well	Fulfil points of competent and experienced nurse as well

While there is a strong focus on the work of a registered nurse, the field of travel medicine is truly multidisciplinary and much of the information provided in this publication is equally applicable to other registered health care professionals including **doctors** and **pharmacists** who provide travel health

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For doctors, pharmacists and nurses specialising in travel medicine

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<http://download.journals.elsevierhealth.com/pdfs/journals/1477-8939/PIIS1477893912000671.pdf>
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Core competence for the *Competent Nurse* (or practitioner) in a travel health consultation (pages 21/23)

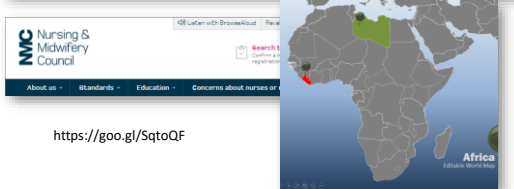
- Demonstrates good geographical knowledge
- Able to perform risk assessment effectively and understands how to interpret potential risk within a trip
- Knows where to 'go' for recommendations for travel advice, immunisations, malaria chemoprophylaxis
- Recognises limit of knowledge and knows when to refer appropriately
- Has good knowledge of common travel related illnesses e.g. TD, hepatitis, typhoid, malaria

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Search on 'travel health' at www.nmc.org.uk/

i) Documented in the patient record that the patient was going to 'Lybia' (sic.) (a reference to Libya, a low risk travel destination for contracting malaria) when in fact the patient was travelling to Liberia (a high risk travel destination for contracting malaria).



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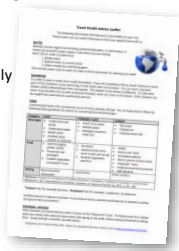
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Core competence continued

Able to provide individual advice to the traveller

- ✓ Accident prevention
- ✓ Safe food, water and personal hygiene
- ✓ Prevention of blood-borne infections and sexually transmitted diseases
- ✓ General insect bite prevention
- ✓ Prevention of animal bites, particularly rabies including wound management
- ✓ Prevention of sun and heat complications
- ✓ Personal safety and security
- ✓ Malaria awareness, ABCD advice



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Core competence continued

- Communicates information effectively
- Prioritises in a situation when traveller is on a limited budget
- Assesses anxieties and acts appropriately
- Demonstrates an excellent vaccine administration technique
- Completes patient and administrative records after vaccination

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Education and Training – page 23

- Demonstrates evidence of learning to apply skills and knowledge in the field of travel medicine. For example, minimum of 15 hours of relevant learning plus mentorship in clinical skills before undertaking a travel consultation alone
- Ensures travel health knowledge is always up to date
- Attends an annual travel health update study session/conference at a local, national or international event

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Risk Assessment & Management in Travel Health



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Aims and Objectives of this session

- To understand what risk assessment is
- To appreciate the elements of the risk assessment process
- To have a good understanding of the required knowledge and resources needed to perform a risk assessment
- To be able to apply these skills at the end of the course

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Risk assessment

No travel health consultation should take place without conducting a travel risk assessment and documenting the information.

The assessment forms the basis of all subsequent decisions, advice given, vaccines administered and the malaria prophylaxis advice that is offered.

This takes time to perform correctly, and for best practice practitioners should leave sufficient time.



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Time is the major constraint

From the RCN Guidance – page 18

The main consideration is to allocate sufficient time to perform the risk assessment. It would be **unsafe to only allow 10 - 15 minutes** for a new travel appointment.

A 20-minute consultation appointment per person should be allowed to exercise best practice. Travellers with more complex needs such as backpackers or individuals requiring malaria prevention advice relevant to their destination - **may need even longer** consultation time.

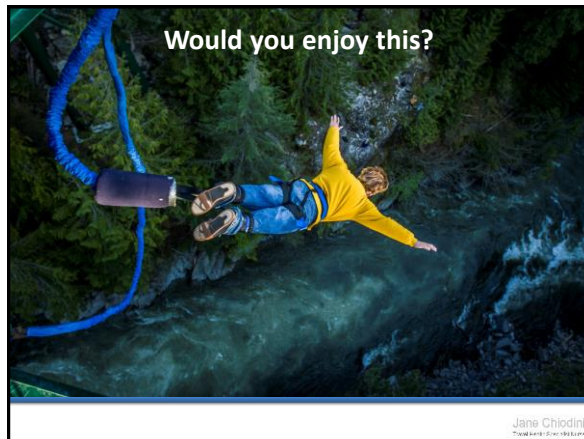
The Nursing and Midwifery Council 'Code' is about being professional, about being accountable and about being able to justify your decisions; employers need to respect the complexity of a travel consultation and appreciate that sufficient time must be allowed for nurses to abide by the Code.

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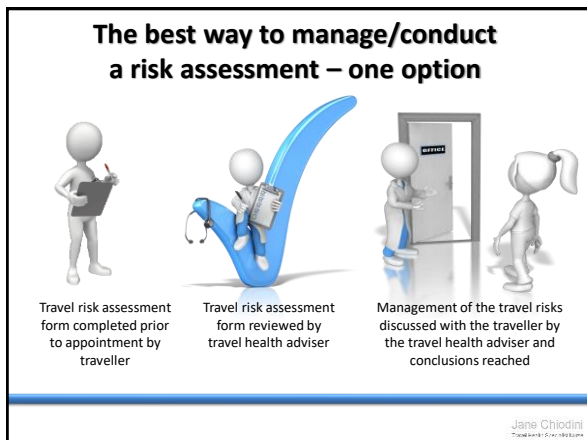
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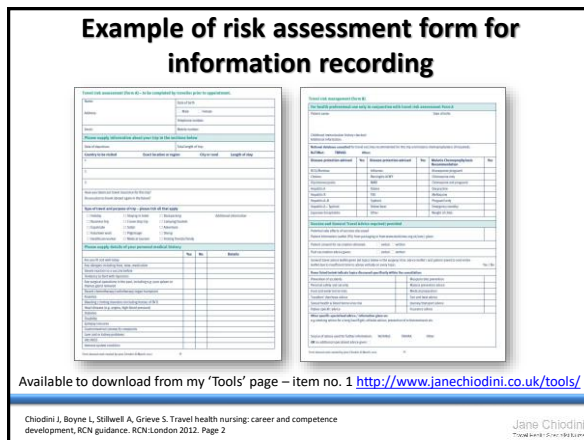
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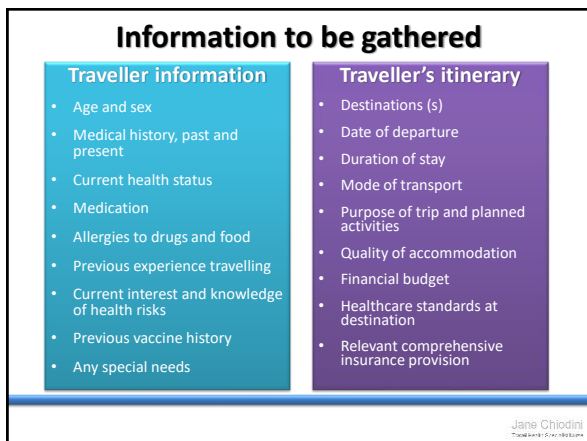
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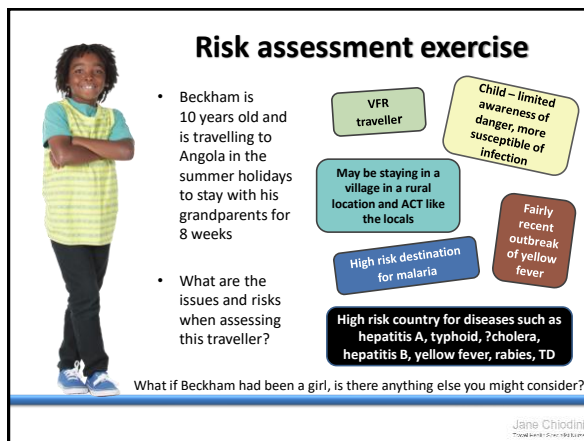
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Risk management

Having performed a risk assessment the risks identified are managed by individualised advice


- Medical preparation
- Journey risks
- Safety risks
- Environmental risks
- Food and water borne risks
- Vector borne risks
- Air borne risks
- Sexual health and blood borne viral risks
- Skin health
- Psychological health

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What does performing a risk assessment achieve?


It enables you to give:



Appropriate
travel health risk
advice



Appropriate
travel vaccines for
travel plans



Appropriate
malaria prevention
advice

← To perform and provide evidence of best practice →

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But what is risk assessment all about?



A very individual process also influenced by the traveller's personal perception of risk

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Booking process and patient expectations

How is the trip booked?

- Travel agent
- Online travel site
- Self organised trips

Patient issues

- Visiting the travel clinic for advice in good time!
- Often annoyance at the risk assessment process
- Focus on the injections with limited understanding of other risks



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Vaccine preventable health risks to travellers abroad ?

In reality, the diseases below are uncommon in travellers, usually occurring less than 1 case per 1,000 overseas visits

Hepatitis A

Japanese B

Rabies

Meningococcal disease

Yellow fever

Tick borne encephalitis

Tetanus, diphtheria, polio

Typhoid


Hepatitis B

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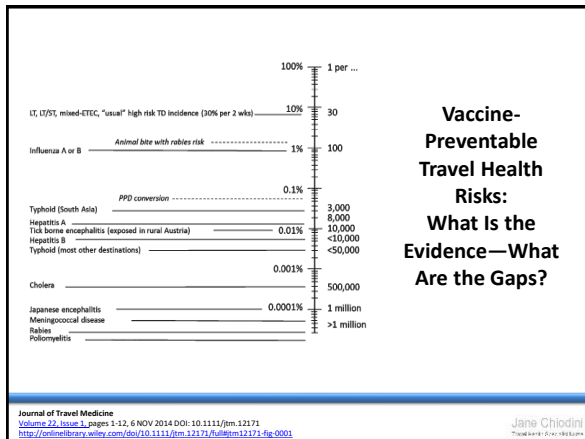
The role of vaccination

Nevertheless, vaccination is one of the most important public health interventions for global infectious disease control and offers protection for travellers at risk of exposure

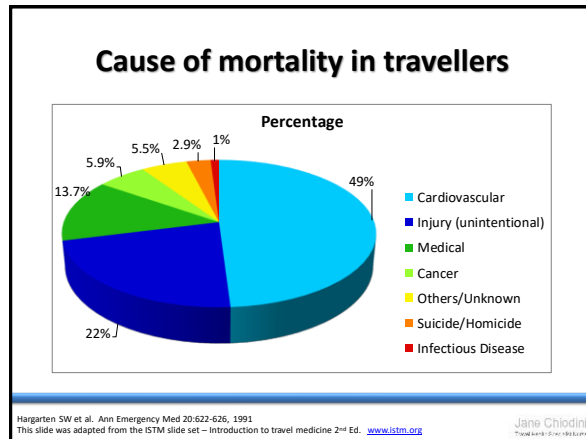


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Implications of the questions we ask

Many sources to increase your knowledge and understanding of pre-travel risk assessment in more detail – including on national databases and international resources

CDC YELLOW BOOK 2018
HEALTH INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL

Competencies: Travel Health Nursing
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The following slides provide some examples but please refer to the resources on previous slide for more information.

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- Babies and small children**
- Increased risk of other hazards e.g. accidents, encounters with animals – need for rabies post exposure
 - Small, mobile, inquisitive toddlers, limited hygiene awareness
 - Risk of illness more severe – e.g travellers' diarrhoea, malaria – requiring medical treatment abroad
 - Restrictions on some choices of vaccines and malaria chemoprophylaxis
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Older travellers

- Immune systems reduced – infection risk increased
- Senses reduced
- PMH more common
- Immunisation status
- Specific problems e.g. yellow fever vaccine




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Female travellers

- Security risk
- Travelling during pregnancy / breast feeding
- Managing contraception
- Coping with menstruation



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Male travellers

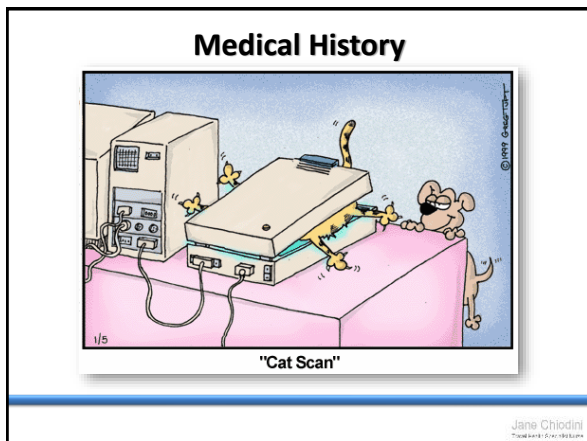
20 – 29 year old age group
at greater risk
of accidents



Ref:McInnes R, Williamson L, Morrison A. (2002) Unintentional injury during foreign travel: a review. *Journal of Travel Medicine*, 9:297-307.

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Medical History

1. Past and present medical history and current health status
2. Medication
3. Allergies to drugs or food/reaction to vaccination

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Why consider the medical history ?

For example:

- Specialist advice may be needed e.g. those with severe renal or liver disease & malaria chemoprophylaxis
- Recent surgery or long term medical problems such as respiratory disease may impact of travel and fitness to fly
- Immunosuppression – some live vaccines contra-indicated, other vaccines may be less effective
- Impact on travel insurance with many medical problems
- Elderly people on regular medication need to be aware of continuing regular administration
- Establishing true anaphylaxis

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The Yellow Book has a lot of information about medical history as do the National databases

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Fitness to fly

The International Air Transport Association

- Is a trade association of the world's airlines. IATA supports airline activity and helps formulate policy and standards
- Its key priority is one of safety

<http://www.iata.org/publications/Documents/medical-manual.pdf>

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Aircraft Operations


Diagnosis	Assessment by a doctor with aviation medicine experience	Accept	Comments
CNS disorders (Central Nervous System)			
TIA	2 days or less	After 2 days and proper investigation	
Stroke (ischemic)	4 days or less	2-14 days if stable on medication, with a neuro-physion. Passenger travelling in the front seats only	If an uncomplicated recovery has been made, a neuro-physion. is not required
Ischemic stroke	28 days or less	Stable on medication, neuro-physion. report	
Stroke (hemorrhagic)	90 days or less	2-14 days if generally well controlled	
Concussion	9 days or less	2-14 days, custom fit of ear and adequate general health	
Cognitive impairment	History of disorientation, amnesia, impairment of short-term memory, disorientation, agitation in familiar surroundings, wandering, significant anxiety	Not recommended	Consider support of travel companion
Gastro-intestinal			
Diarrhoea	24 hours or less following a meal	2-10 days	1-3 days can travel if endoscopic or other tests evidence it. 10 has continued to take no suitable remedy has ceased all eating. See also anemia
Major abdominal surgery	9 days or less	2-10 days if uncomplicated recovery	e.g. bowel resection, splenectomy, cholecystectomy
Appendectomy	4 days or less	2-5 days if uncomplicated recovery	
Upper abdominal surgery	14 days or less	14-28 days if uncomplicated recovery	e.g. cholecystectomy (gall bladder removal), gall surgery
Cholecystectomy	28 hours or less	2-14 days if gas absorbed	

<http://www.iata.org/publications/Documents/medical-manual.pdf>

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Examples of specific medical guidelines

Travellers visiting friends and relatives (VFRs)




- Less likely to observe malaria chemoprophylaxis compliance
- Values and beliefs need to be explored

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Previous vaccine history



- In the absence of documentation, don't **assume**
- Ensure primary immunisations are up to date
- Give traveller a record of vaccines given

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Destination - location, altitude, climate




ETHIOPIA
 Advice for travellers:
 There is a high risk of malaria in Ethiopia. Malaria is common in all parts of the country, especially in the lowlands and in the highlands during the wet season.
 There is a high risk of meningitis in Ethiopia. Meningitis is common in the highlands during the dry season.
 There is a high risk of hepatitis A in Ethiopia. Hepatitis A is common in all parts of the country.

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Destination - political and economic situation




Foreign travel advice
 Which country or territory are you looking for?

Egypt: Travel Advice
 There is a high risk of terrorism in Egypt. There is a high risk of kidnapping in Egypt. There is a high risk of malaria in Egypt. There is a high risk of hepatitis A in Egypt.

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Departure date – season and timing




- Wet season – increases malaria risk
- Dry season – increases meningitis risk
- Last minute, still consider some vaccines e.g. hepatitis A

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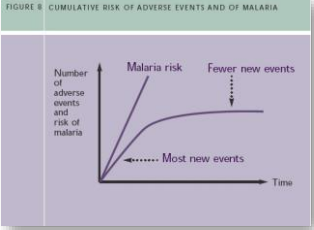
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Length of stay



A 3 month visit carries a malaria risk around 6 times greater than a 2 week visit*

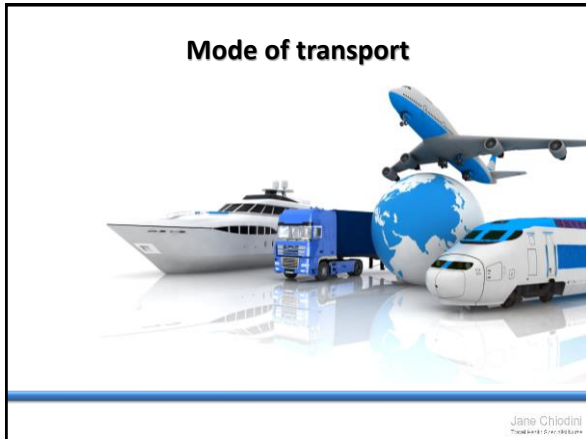
FIGURE 8 CUMULATIVE RISK OF ADVERSE EVENTS AND OF MALARIA



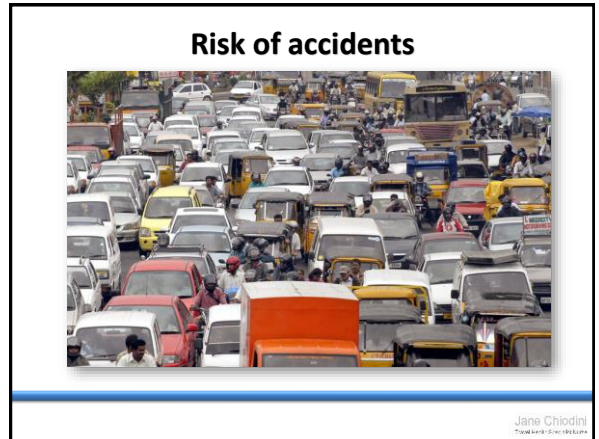
Compacency can creep in during a longer visit

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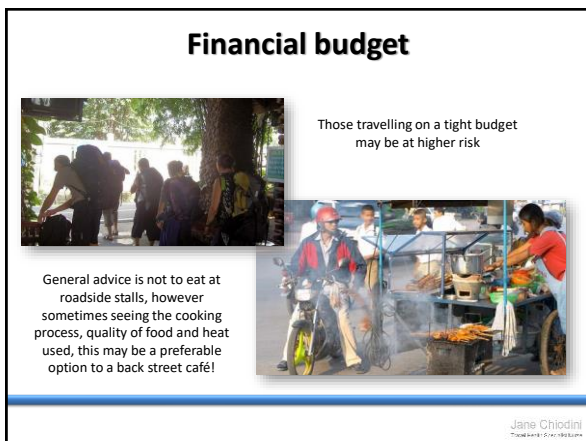
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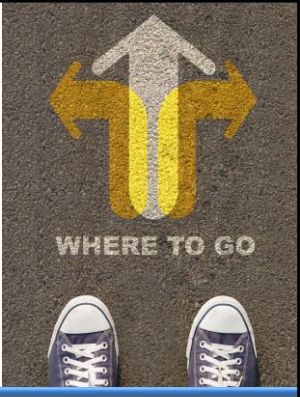
Collected the risk assessment information – then what?



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Do you know which resources we would use to make decisions?



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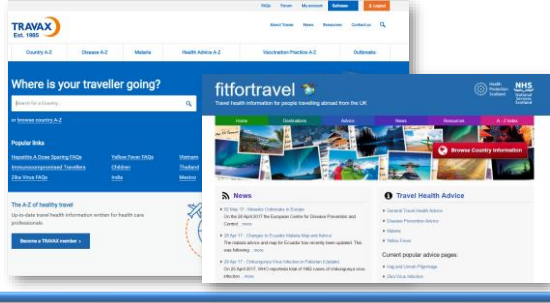
Be aware of key UK resources for guidance



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UK National databases - www.travax.nhs.uk and for the public - www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk



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<https://travelhealthpro.org.uk/>



From NaTHNaC for healthcare professionals and the general public

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Access via your page and the 'New to Travel' page on my website



Please note, if using TRAVAX, you will still need a user name and password


<http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/tools/new-to-travel/>

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- Taking into consideration any patient specific factors (e.g. medical history, how high risk the destination is etc.) review the vaccines advised and decide what is needed – based also on previous vaccine history
- If a malarious area, also decide risk and identify appropriate chemoprophylaxis
- Consider advice required to manage the risks identified

Review the country specific information on a national database e.g. TravelHealthPro or TRAVAX



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Communicating the risk and providing advice

- Providing information about vaccines sufficient to provide adequate information to obtain informed consent
- Discussion of what is necessary and desirable – taking time and cost into the equation
- Advising on malaria prevention advice and deciding with patient the most suitable chemoprophylaxis
- Delivering other appropriate travel health advice – some will need to be in written format

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Advice leaflet that can be adapted for your use –



See item no. 4 at <http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/tools/> - written in Word format for you to adapt

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Food, water and personal hygiene advice

- Always wash hands before eating or preparing food
- Boiled water, bottled water - this includes ice cubes in drinks and water for cleaning your teeth
- Only eat well cooked fresh food
- Avoid leftovers and reheated food
- Ensure meat is thoroughly cooked
- Eat cooked vegetables, avoid salads
- Only eat fruit you can peel
- Never drink unpasteurised milk and avoid ice cream
- Shellfish is a high risk food

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- Studies have shown that the “Cook it, peel it, boil it or forget it” directive is not followed by many travellers and that conflicting results have been shown in the value of such strict advice
- New thinking in travel medicine is that food and drink can be placed into three categories
 - Safe
 - Probably safe
 - Unsafe
- There is no vaccine available for travellers’ diarrhoea

Ericsson CD. Prevention of Travelers Diarrhea in: Keystone J, Freedman D, Kozarsky P, Connor B and Nothdurft H. Eds. *Travel Medicine 3rd Edition*. Saunders, an imprint of Elsevier Inc; 2013. p. 191 -196

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Food and beverage recommendations for travellers (this poster is on your page)

Category	SAFE	PROBABLY SAFE	UNSAFE
Beverages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carbonated soft drinks • Carbonated water • Boiled water • Purified water (iodine or chlorine) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fresh citrus juices • Bottled water • Packaged (machine-made) ice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tap water • Chipped ice • Unpasteurized milk
Food	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hot, thoroughly grilled, boiled • Processed and packaged • Cooked vegetables and peeled fruits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dry items • Hyperosmolar items (such as jam and syrup) • Washed vegetables and fruits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salads • Sauces and ‘salsa’ • Uncooked seafood • Raw or poorly cooked meats • Unpeeled fruits • Unpasteurized dairy products • Cold desserts
Setting	Recommended restaurants	Local homes	Street vendors

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Travellers' diarrhoea advice

- **High risk areas** include North Africa, sub-Saharan Africa, the Indian Subcontinent, S.E. Asia, South America, Mexico and the Middle East
- **Medium risk areas** include the northern Mediterranean, Canary Islands and the Caribbean Islands
- **Low risk areas** include North America, Western Europe and Australia

Management

- Rehydration
- Anti diarrhoeal tablets
- Standby emergency treatment could be an option for some

Contact medical help if the affected person has:-

- A temperature
- Blood in the diarrhoea
- Diarrhoea for more than 48 hours (or 24 hours in children)
- Becomes confused

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Prevention advice for hepatitis B, C and HIV infection

- Only accept a blood transfusion when essential
- If travelling to a resource poor country, take a sterile medical kit
- Avoid high risk procedures e.g. ear and body piercing, tattooing & acupuncture
- Avoid casual sex, especially without using condoms

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Malaria prevention advice - the ABCD rules !

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More information on malaria on day 2 of this course

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Rabies advice

1. Do not touch any animal, even dogs and cats
2. If you are licked on broken skin, scratched or bitten in a country which has rabies, wash the wound thoroughly with soap and running water for 15 minutes then apply antiseptic.
3. Seek medical advice IMMEDIATELY, even if you have been previously immunised.

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Prevention of accidents advice

- Avoid alcohol and food before swimming
- Never dive into water where the depth is uncertain
- Only swim in safe water, check currents, sharks, jellyfish etc.
- Avoid alcohol when driving, especially at night
- Avoid hiring motorcycles and mopeds
- If hiring a car, rent a large one if possible, ensure the tyres, brakes and seat belts are in good condition
- Use reliable taxi firms, know where emergency facilities are

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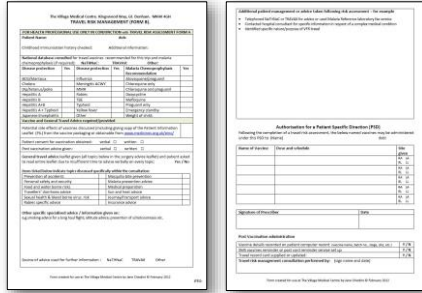
Risk management and the importance of documentation



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Risk management form helps to 'record' best practice within the travel consultation



Form can be found in 'Tools' – item no. 2 <http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/tools/>

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FOR HEALTH PROFESSIONAL USE ONLY IN CONJUNCTION with TRAVEL RISK ASSESSMENT FORM A

Patient Name: _____ dob: _____

Childhood immunisation history checked: _____ Additional information: _____

National database consulted for travel vaccines recommended for this trip and malaria chemoprophylaxis (if required): NaTHNaC: _____ TRAVAX: _____ Other: _____

Disease protection	Yes	Disease protection	Yes	Malaria Chemoprophylaxis Recommendation	Yes
BCG/Mantoux		Influenza		Atovaquone/proguanil	
Cholera		Meningitis ACWY		Chloroquine only	
Dip/tetanus/polio		MMR		Chloroquine and proguanil	
Hepatitis A		Rabies		Doxycycline	
Hepatitis B		TBE		Mefloquine	
Hepatitis A+B		Typhoid		Proguanil only	
Hepatitis A + Typhoid		Yellow fever		Emergency standby	
Japanese Encephalitis		Other		Weight of child:	

Vaccine and General Travel Advice required/provided

Potential side effects of vaccines discussed (including giving copy of the Patient Information Leaflet (PIL) from the vaccine packaging or obtainable from www.medicines.org.uk/emc/)

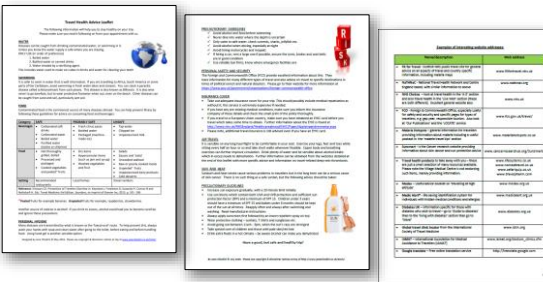
Patient consent for vaccination obtained: verbal written

Post vaccination advice given: verbal written

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Advice leaflet with additional resources – sample leaflet available on my website



See item no. 4 at <http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/tools/> - written in Word format for you to adapt

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General travel advice leaflet given (all topics below in the surgery advice leaflet) and patient asked to read entire leaflet due to insufficient time to advise verbally on every topic: Yes / No

Items ticked below indicate topics discussed specifically within the consultation:

Prevention of accidents	Mosquito bite prevention	
Personal safety and security	Malaria prevention advice	
Food and water borne risks	Medical preparation	
Travellers' diarrhoea advice	Sun and heat advice	
Sexual health & blood borne virus risk	Journey/transport advice	
Rabies specific advice	Insurance advice	

Other specific specialised advice / information given on:
e.g. smoking advice for a long haul flight; altitude advice; prevention of schistosomiasis etc.

Source of advice used for further information: NaTHNaC TRAVAX Other

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Additional patient management or advice taken following risk assessment – for example

- Vaccine(s) patient declined following recommendation, and reason why
- Telephoned NaTHNaC or TRAVAX for advice or used Malaria Reference laboratory fax service
- Contacted hospital consultant for specific information in respect of a complex medical condition
- Identified specific nature/purpose of VFR travel

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Authorisation for a Patient Specific Direction (PSD)

Following the completion of a travel risk assessment, the below named vaccines may be administered under this PSD to:

Name: _____ dob: _____

Name, form & strength of medicine (generic/brand name as appropriate)	Dose, schedule and route of administration	Start and finish dates

Signature of Prescriber _____ Date _____

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- The template of this form could be adapted to use within a computer system, e.g. EMIS or System One
- If using paper copy of the form, then scan in after completion

Post Vaccination administration

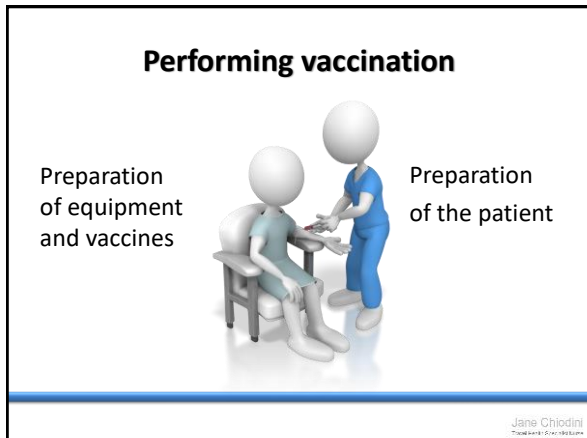
Vaccine details recorded on patient computer record (vaccine name, batch no., stage, site, etc.)	Y / N
SMS vaccines reminder or post card reminder service set up	Y / N
Travel record card supplied or updated:	Y / N

Travel risk management consultation performed by: (sign name and date)

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Documenting the vaccinations

- Record of vaccines used must include the name of the drug, batch number, expiry date, site of administration and names of the administrator
- Ideally provide a written record of vaccinations given to the traveller

Vaccine Record

Variety of options now available, e.g. online, app format

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Conclusion

- No travel health consultation should take place without conducting a travel risk assessment and documenting all the information
- The assessment forms the basis of all subsequent decisions, advice given, vaccines administered and malaria prophylaxis advice that is offered
- Risk assessment and management takes time to perform correctly, and for best practice practitioners should leave sufficient time
- Good documentation is essential

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Case Study Practice

Access via 'your page' to practice the case studies

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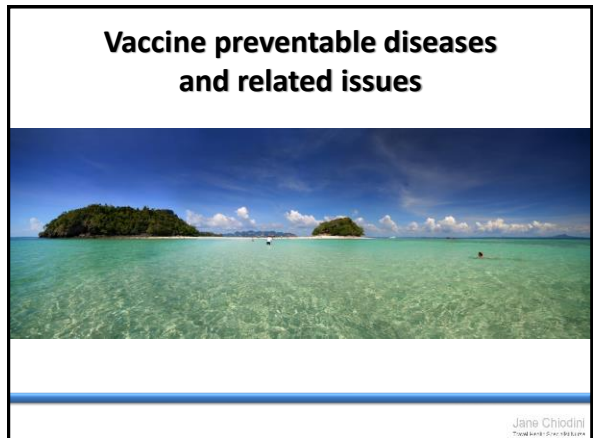


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- ✓ Introduction to travel medicine
- ✓ Travel risk assessment
- Travel vaccines and related issues
- Travel medicine operational issues
- Recap on resources

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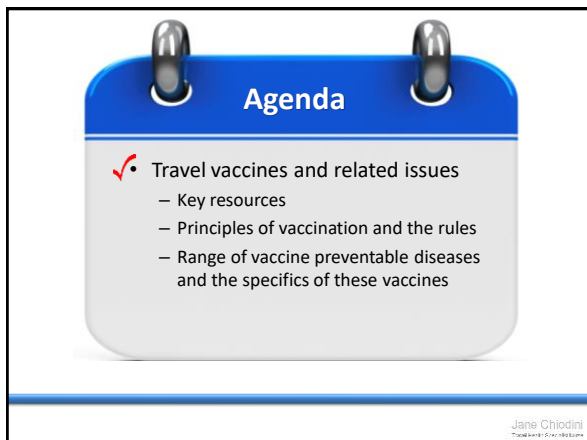


Vaccine preventable diseases and related issues



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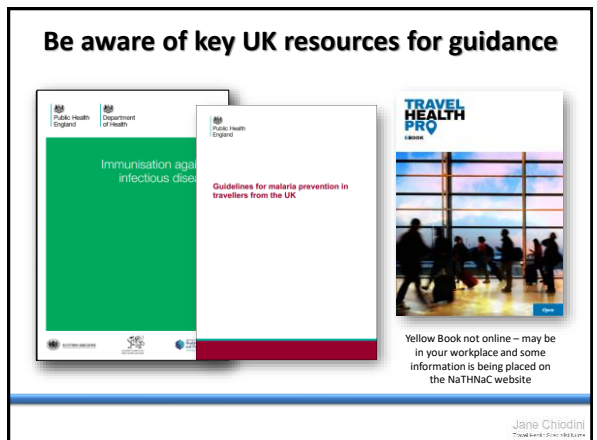


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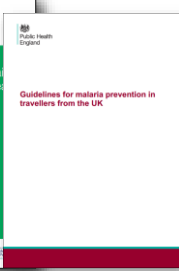

- ✓ Travel vaccines and related issues
 - Key resources
 - Principles of vaccination and the rules
 - Range of vaccine preventable diseases and the specifics of these vaccines

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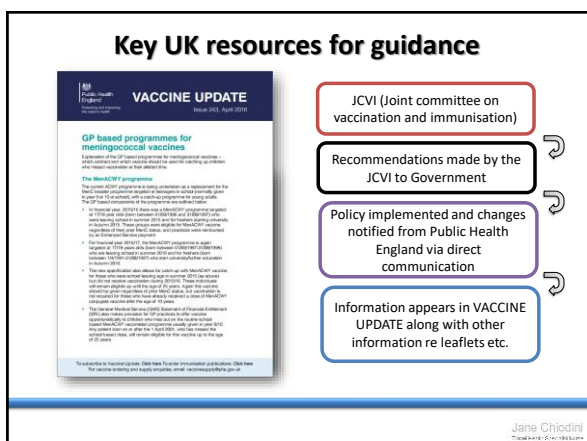
Be aware of key UK resources for guidance

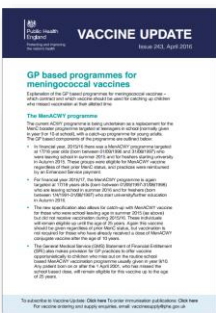
Yellow Book not online – may be in your workplace and some information is being placed on the NaTHNaC website

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Key UK resources for guidance



- JCVI (Joint committee on vaccination and immunisation)
- Recommendations made by the JCVI to Government
- Policy implemented and changes notified from Public Health England via direct communication
- Information appears in VACCINE UPDATE along with other information re leaflets etc.

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UK National databases - www.travax.nhs.uk and for the public - www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk



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UK National databases - www.nathnac.org

The screenshot shows the nathnac.org website with a navigation menu including: COUNTRIES INFORMATION, LATEST NEWS, OUTBREAK SURVEILLANCE, DISEASES FROM A-Z, and FORTHCOMING EVENTS OVERVIEW. The main content area features a 'TRAVEL HEALTH PRO' banner, a 'Yellow Fever Green Book Chapter Updated' article, and a 'Notice: Annual Return for Yellow Fever Vaccination Centres' for June-July 2018. A search bar for 'Country A-Z' is visible.

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Working within National Guidelines and knowing one's limitations

This slide includes a 'Malaria Risk Assessment' form and a rotary telephone icon. A red-bordered box contains the following telephone helpline information:

Telephone helplines
NaTHNaC
 0845 602 6712
 Monday – Friday 9am to 11.00 am
 and 1pm to 2pm x 2
 Closed Monday and Friday at 2pm
 and other days at 3.30pm

TRAVAX
 0141 300 1130
 Mon. & Wed. 2 to 4pm
 Friday 9.30 to 11.30am

MRL Fax line
 Download risk assessment form
 from www.malaria-reference.co.uk, complete and
 return to 020 7636 0248

E mail service – see malaria page, to be discussed next time

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The slide features a graphic of colorful tools (screwdriver, pliers, wrench, etc.) and a list of services available from 'TOOLS' item no. 8:

- Health Protection Scotland for TRAVEL cases
- Notified (National Travel Health Network and Centre)
- Health Protection Agency
- Public Health England (PHE) National Reference Laboratory

Available from 'TOOLS' item no. 8

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Vaccines currently available to protect our travellers

A collection of colorful rounded rectangles listing the following vaccines:

- Hepatitis A
- Influenza
- Meningococcal disease
- Tetanus, diphtheria, polio
- Cholera
- Typhoid
- Japanese B
- Pneumococcal
- Rabies
- Tick borne encephalitis
- MMR
- Hepatitis B
- Yellow fever

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Diseases for consideration in this section?

PART 1
 NHS vaccines (mostly) and provided in an NHS setting (hepatitis B and meningitis can be private)

- Tetanus, diphtheria and polio
- Hepatitis A
- Typhoid
- Cholera
- Hepatitis B
- Meningitis

PART 2
 Always private, more specialist vaccines given by those more experienced

Covered on day 2

- Just touching on Yellow fever but separate training is required by NaTHNaC
- Rabies, Japanese B, tick-borne encephalitis

For more details regarding the charging of vaccines see FAQ no. 2 on my website
<http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/news/faqs/faq-no-2/>

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Immunisation timeline

Historical vaccine developments and introduction of vaccines in the UK

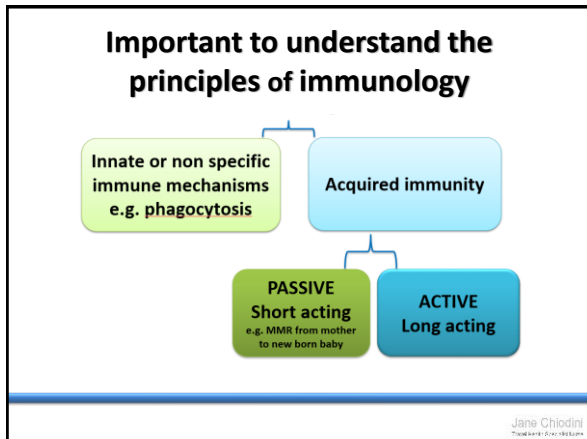
The timeline diagram shows key milestones in vaccine development and introduction in the UK, including the first vaccine (smallpox) in 1776, the introduction of diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis (DTP) in 1948, and the introduction of the MMR vaccine in 1988. It also notes the introduction of the first yellow fever vaccine in 2009.

Historical information on NHS Choices – an interesting read see:
<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/the-history-of-vaccination.aspx>

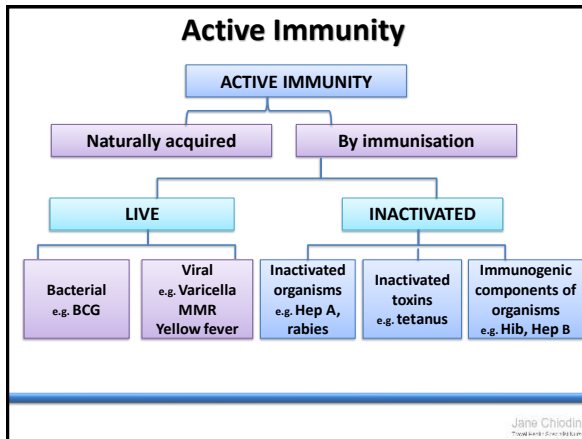
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Helpful videos for immunology and FAQs

<http://immunologyanimation.hpa.org.uk>
and chapter 1 of the 'Green Book'
access via the 'your dedicated page' on my website

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New video published in May 2018

<https://www.ovg.ox.ac.uk/news/how-do-vaccines-work>

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Do you know what factors might effect the immune response to a vaccine?

Age

Medical history

- Very young children (especially under 2 years) have difficulty developing an immune response to polysaccharide only vaccines, and conjugated vaccines are used where possible
- Immunocompromised individuals usually cannot receive live attenuated vaccines. Inactivated vaccines are usually safe, but their immune response may be inadequate

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When might there be a contraindication to vaccinate?


- In general, a vaccine is absolutely contraindicated if a person has a confirmed anaphylactic reaction to a previous dose of the vaccine or product contained in the vaccine
- Pregnant women present a special risk group where, if the disease exposure is considered high during travel, most vaccine can be offered, although caution should be used with live vaccines
- All centres administering vaccines must be adequately prepared to deal with anaphylaxis

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Knowledge of the route we give vaccines and how soon they start to work is needed

- Most vaccines given by IM or SC route except BCG and oral vaccines (cholera and live typhoid)
- An active immune response to vaccines begins within a few days of administration and peaks in approximately 10-14 days
- Primary vaccine courses need 2 or 3 doses to complete the series



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Vaccine	Time until effective
BCG	6 weeks
Diphtheria	1-2 weeks after 3 rd dose
Hepatitis A (active)	2 weeks for optimum protection (the average incubation period for the disease is 28 days so it is often still useful to give the vaccine even at short notice prior to travel)
Hepatitis A immunoglobulin (passive)	Immediate
Hepatitis B	1 month after the 3 rd dose
Japanese encephalitis	7 days after the 2 nd dose, IXIARO® (Novartis) 1-2 weeks after the 2 nd dose, Green Cross vaccine (MASTA)
Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR)	2 weeks
Meningococcal vaccines (including ACW135Y)	2 weeks
Polio (inactivated)	1-2 weeks after 3 rd doses
Rabies	1-2 weeks (after the 3 rd dose)
Tetanus	1-2 weeks after the 3 rd dose
Tick-borne encephalitis	2 weeks after the 2 nd dose
Typhoid injectable	1-2 weeks
Yellow fever	10 days


Time for Vaccines to become effective
Table adapted from TRAVAX

<http://www.travax.nhs.uk/vaccination-practice/arranging-schedules/time-for-vaccines-to-become-effective/>

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The rules of vaccination



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General rules for the vaccinees:

- Immunisation is an intervention given to a host to actively prevent infection and/or to reduce the severity of the disease. It is not a cure. It does not prevent the spread of the disease. It does not prevent the disease from being transmitted to others.
- It is not a guarantee of protection. It is not a guarantee of immunity. It is not a guarantee of safety. It is not a guarantee of effectiveness. It is not a guarantee of long-term protection. It is not a guarantee of complete protection. It is not a guarantee of absolute protection. It is not a guarantee of total protection. It is not a guarantee of perfect protection. It is not a guarantee of ideal protection. It is not a guarantee of optimal protection. It is not a guarantee of maximum protection. It is not a guarantee of the best protection. It is not a guarantee of the most protection. It is not a guarantee of the highest protection. It is not a guarantee of the greatest protection. It is not a guarantee of the largest protection. It is not a guarantee of the most extensive protection. It is not a guarantee of the most comprehensive protection. It is not a guarantee of the most thorough protection. It is not a guarantee of the most complete protection. It is not a guarantee of the most perfect protection. It is not a guarantee of the most excellent protection. It is not a guarantee of the most superior protection. It is not a guarantee of the most noble protection. It is not a guarantee of the most illustrious protection. It is not a guarantee of the most distinguished protection. It is not a guarantee of the most eminent protection. It is not a guarantee of the most renowned protection. It is not a guarantee of the most famous protection. It is not a guarantee of the most celebrated protection. It is not a guarantee of the most honored protection. It is not a guarantee of the most respected protection. It is not a guarantee of the most revered protection. It is not a guarantee of the most venerated protection. It is not a guarantee of the most honored protection. It is not a guarantee of the most respected protection. It is not a guarantee of the most revered protection. It is not a guarantee of the most venerated protection.


on 'your dedicated' page

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Peter thinks he has had 2 doses of hepatitis A vaccine in the past, but nothing is documented. He's going to travel to do some research work in a hospital in India – what would you do?

In the absence of documentation you cannot **ASSUME** the patient has been vaccinated, therefore further vaccines for protection should be given



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The evidence

For a variety of reasons, some individuals may not have been immunised or their immunisation history may be unknown.

If children and adults coming to the UK are not known to have been completely immunised, they should be assumed to be unimmunised and a full course of required immunisations should be planned.

Where a child born in the UK presents with an inadequate immunisation history, every effort should be made to clarify what immunisations they may have had. A child who has not completed the routine childhood programme should have the outstanding doses as described in the relevant chapters of the Green Book.



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Michelle had a first Havrix Junior Monodose at the age of one but never returned to complete the course, how would you proceed?

The evidence

If any course of immunisation is interrupted, it should be resumed and completed as soon as possible. There is generally no need to start any course of immunisation again, as immunological memory from the priming dose(s) is likely to be maintained

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The rules of vaccines

If a course goes off schedule and there is quite a long time interval, there is no need to re start the course, just pick up where it was left off and continue the course

January

First dose

6-12 months
time interval

Between July and the following January

Booster dose (or completing dose in the course)

January

Forgets!

Just boost when they turn up

January 6 years later

ALWAYS USE AN AGE APPROPRIATE VACCINE

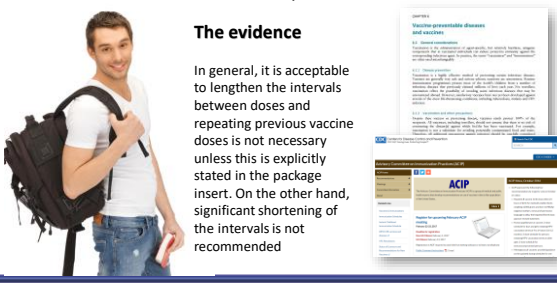
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Jon is backpacking around SE Asia for 6 months and is having a course of rabies vaccine. He had his day 0 dose today but won't be around for the day 7 dose and asks if he can attend in 5 days instead for his second dose. What would you advise ?

The evidence

In general, it is acceptable to lengthen the intervals between doses and repeating previous vaccine doses is not necessary unless this is explicitly stated in the package insert. On the other hand, significant shortening of the intervals is not recommended



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Site of injection and number that can be given at one time?

- If two or more injections need to be administered at the same time, they should be given in separate sites, preferably in a different limb. If more than one injection is to be given in the same limb, they should be administered at least 2.5cm apart
- Immunisations should not be given into the buttock, due to the risk of sciatic nerve damage and the possibility of injecting the vaccine into fat rather than muscle?

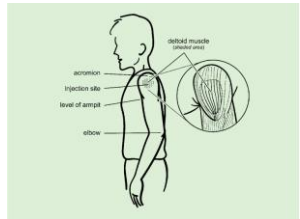


Figure 4.1 Preferred site for intramuscular and deep subcutaneous injections in older children and adults

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Where do you obtain relevant vaccine information?

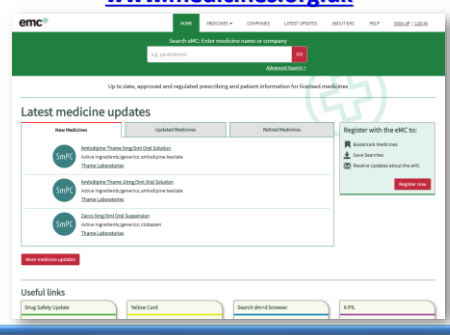
- Green Book – for diseases and vaccines, online
- The National Databases (NaTHNaC and TRAVAX)
- Patient Group Directions - in your workplace
- Electronic Medicines Compendium - online
- British National Formulary – book or online
- Pharmaceutical companies - online

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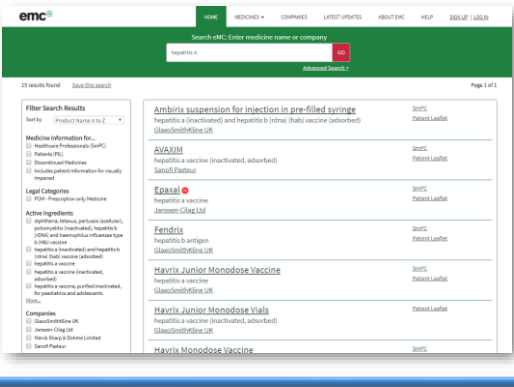
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www.medicines.org.uk



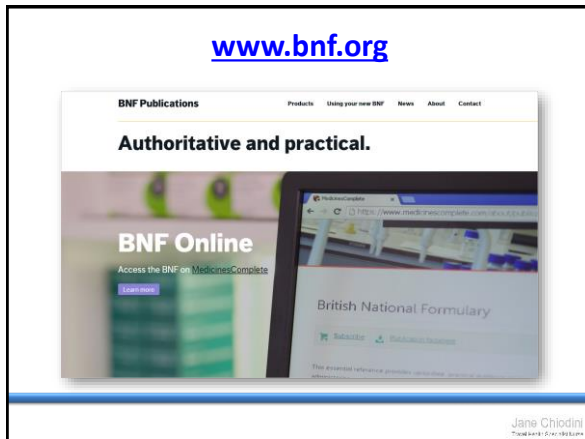
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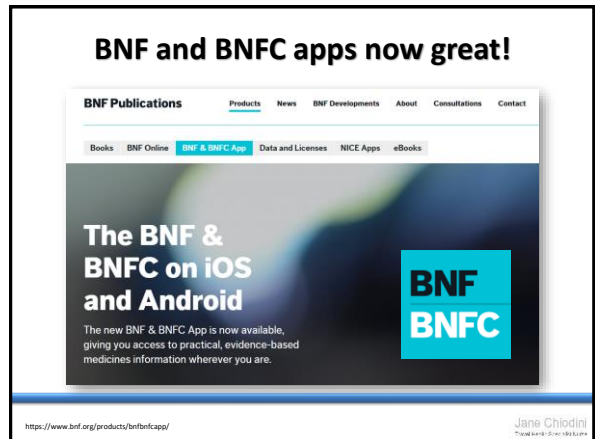


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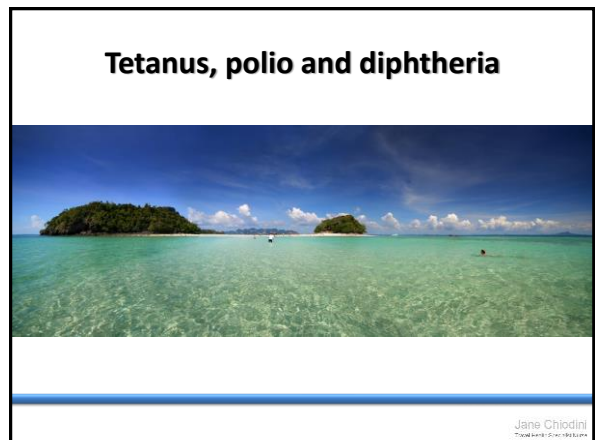


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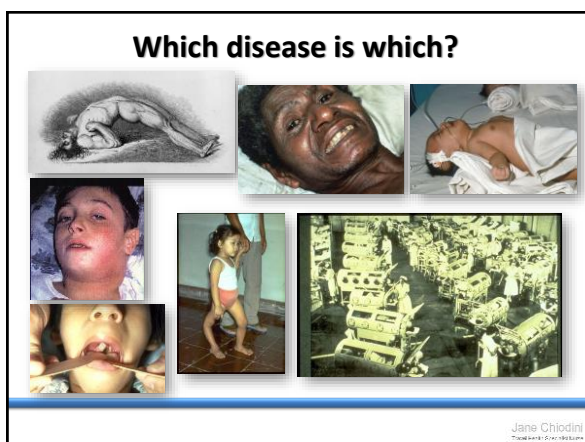
Document your learnings

Disease/prevention	Causative organism	Mode of transmission/prevention advice required	No. of vaccines in the course	Length of protection
Tetanus, polio and diphtheria				
Measles A				
Typhoid				
Cholera				
Measles B				
Meningococcal meningitis				
Yellow fever				
Ebola				
Japanese encephalitis				
Tick borne encephalitis				

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Learning more from Green Book chapters, but also www.nhs.uk

Disease	Organism	Mode of transmission
Tetanus	toxoid	Spores in the environment
Diphtheria	bacterium	Droplet infection
Polio	virus	Faecal oral and saliva

Two screenshots of the NHS website are shown. The left one is the cover of the "Immunisation against Infectious Diseases" Green Book. The right one is a page titled "Immunisation" with sub-sections for "Immunisation information for health professionals and immunisation practitioners" and "Immunisation information for the public".

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but also www.nhs.uk

Diphtheria

1. Overview
2. Symptoms
3. Treatment

4. Complications
5. Vaccination

Overview

- What are the symptoms?
- Diagnosing diphtheria
- Treating diphtheria
- Vaccination
- How common is diphtheria?

Diphtheria is a potentially fatal contagious bacterial infection that mainly affects the nose and throat, and sometimes the skin.

Diphtheria is highly contagious. It's spread by coughs and sneezes, or by contact with someone with diphtheria or items belonging to them, such as bedding or clothing.

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Tetanus, diphtheria and inactivated polio vaccine in the immunisation schedule

Dose 1: 8 weeks of age
Dose 2: 12 weeks of age
Dose 3: 16 weeks of age
Booster 1: 3yr 4mth or soon after P56
Booster 2: 14 yrs (Year 9)
Further Booster for travel: 10 years minimum usually

Schedule above of 5 doses make the primary course in the UK.
Booster given if any of the three diseases are a risk at the destination, then an additional dose is provided on the NHS in an NHS setting.

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The routine immunisation schedule from Autumn 2018

Tetanus, polio and diphtheria disease protection is not available in monovalent vaccines, only as one combined vaccine but in different products within the routine immunisation schedule

Infanrix hexa	DTaP/IPV/Hib/Hep B
Infanrix IPV	(DTaP/IPV)
Repevax	(DTaP/IPV)
Revaxis	(Td/IPV)

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Acronyms for vaccines and values of diphtheria content – D and d

Available vaccines^[6]

Diphtheria vaccines are available in two strengths according to dose of toxoid:

- High-dose - vaccines contain ≥30 IU of diphtheria toxoid and are used to achieve satisfactory primary immunisation of children - as in diphtheria/tetanus/acellular pertussis (DTaP) vaccine (capital D = high-dose).
- Low-dose - vaccines contain approximately 2 IU of toxoid and are used for primary immunisation of those aged over 10 years and for subsequent boosters (lower case d signifies low-dose as in dTaP).

<https://www.odc.gov/vaccines/acip/committee/guidance/vec-03bna.html>
<https://patient.info/immunisation/diphtheria-and-diphtheria-vaccination>

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Would this traveller need Td/IPV?

- Lucy is 19 years old and is going on a two week holiday in the Galapagos Islands
- She is up to date on all her scheduled national programme immunisations
- She hasn't travelled abroad before
- No PMH, she is on the OCP only

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Galapagos Islands off coast of Ecuador

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Would this traveller need Td/IPV?




- James is 26 years old
- he's taking a one year career break back packing around the world
- He last had a tetanus vaccine as a school booster 9½ years ago at the age of 16

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Keeping an eye on other groups



dTaP/IPV vaccine given between gestational weeks 20* and 32 rather than from week 28

*Can be given from 16 weeks but usually offered after the anomaly scan


Examples are ?

Boostrix-IPV or Repevax

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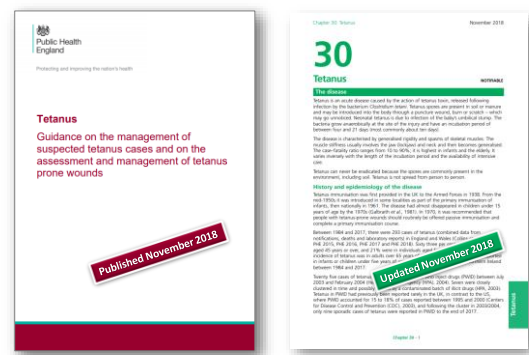
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FAQ on tetanus



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Read the guidance to see definitions

Tetanus-prone wounds include:

- puncture-type injuries acquired in a contaminated environment and likely therefore to contain tetanus spores e.g. gardening injuries
- wounds containing foreign bodies
- compound fractures
- wounds or burns with systemic sepsis
- certain animal bites and scratches – although smaller bites from domestic pets are generally puncture injuries animal saliva should not contain tetanus spores unless the animal has been routing in soil or lives in an agricultural setting

Note: individual risk assessment is required and this list is not exhaustive e.g. a puncture-wound from discarded needle found in a park may be a tetanus-prone injury but a needlestick injury in a medical environment is not.

High-risk tetanus-prone wounds include:

Any of the above with either:

- heavy contamination with material likely to contain tetanus spores e.g. soil, manure
- wounds or burns that show extensive devitalised tissue
- wounds or burns that require surgical intervention that is delayed for more than six hours are high risk even if the contamination was not initially heavy

Thorough cleaning of wounds is essential. If the wound, burn or injury fulfils the above criteria, IM-TIG or HNiG for subcutaneous use, and/or a reinforcing dose of tetanus-containing vaccine should be given for immediate and long-term protection, according to the recommendations in the Table overleaf.

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Recommendations on the treatment and prophylaxis of tetanus

Tetanus Immunisation and Prophylaxis Following Injuries

Immunisation Status	Immediate treatment			Later treatment
	Clean wound	Tetanus Prone	High risk tetanus prone	
Those aged 11 years and over, who have received an adequate priming course of tetanus vaccine* with the last dose within 10 years	None required	None required	None required	Further doses as required to complete the recommended schedule (to ensure future immunity)
Children under 5 years who have received an adequate priming course	None required	None required	None required	Further doses as required to complete the recommended schedule (to ensure future immunity)
Received adequate priming course of tetanus vaccine* but last dose more than 10 years ago	None required	Immediate reinforcing dose of vaccine	Immediate reinforcing dose of vaccine	Further doses as required to complete the recommended schedule (to ensure future immunity)
Children aged 5-10 years who have received an adequate priming course but no preschool booster	None required	Immediate reinforcing dose of vaccine	One dose of human tetanus immunoglobulin† in a different site	Further doses as required to complete the recommended schedule (to ensure future immunity)
Includes UK born after 1961 with history of accepting vaccination	None required	Immediate reinforcing dose of vaccine	One dose of human tetanus immunoglobulin† in a different site	Further doses as required to complete the recommended schedule (to ensure future immunity)
Not received adequate priming course of tetanus vaccine* includes uncertain immunisation status and/or born before 1961	Immediate reinforcing dose of vaccine	Immediate reinforcing dose of vaccine	Immediate reinforcing dose of vaccine	Further doses as required to complete the recommended schedule (to ensure future immunity)

1. At least three doses of tetanus vaccine 2. If TIG is not available, HNiG may be used as an alternate

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Recent and ongoing Polio Problems more about this on day 2

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Hepatitis A

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http://gamapserver.who.int/maplibrary/Files/Maps/Global_HepA_THRiskMap.png?ua=1

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Hepatitis A disease

- Viral infection
- Transmitted via contaminated food and water
- Those at higher risk – VFRs, long term travellers, those exposed to conditions of poor sanitation
- Incubation averages 28 - 30 days (range 15 to 50 days)
- Often asymptomatic in young children
- Abrupt onset of malaise, anorexia, nausea, fever followed by jaundice
- Fulminant hepatitis is more likely in those with pre-existing liver disease and in older individuals
- The overall case fatality ratio is low but is greater in older patients and those with pre-existing liver disease

<http://phil.cdc.gov/phil/home.asp>

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/147954/Green-Book-Chapter-17.pdf

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Hepatitis A schedule – what the Green Book says

- The duration of protection from a completed course of vaccine can be expected to be at least 25 years and probably indefinite.
- However, PHE recommend that until further evidence is available on persistence of protective immunity, a booster dose at 25 years is indicated for those at ongoing risk of hepatitis A.

Hepatitis A vaccines can be used interchangeably: Chapter 4, page 145 of the Green Book

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Five hepatitis A monovalent vaccines

VACCINE NAME	AGE GROUPS	WHEN TO BOOST - general principles and comments
HEPATITIS A vaccine (and schedules)		
• Hep A vaccine SPCs have different timings but note Ch. 4, 1 st paragraph in GB. Ideally, follow the summary of product characteristics but in late-presenting travellers, a course does not need to be restarted (DH 2013). Protection is expected for 25 years from the second dose – also see NaTHNaC info on Hepatitis A ** and detail below within the 'Key' section regarding GSK 'Havrix' vaccines***.		
VAQTA® Paediatric	2 dose schedule of hepatitis A vaccine should be given at day 0 and then 6 to 12 months after the initial dose as recommended in Green Book for hep A vaccines.	1 - 17 years
VAQTA® Adult		18 years and over
Avaxim®		16 years and over
Havrix Junior Monodose®	Regimes may vary in SPCs, see above • & key	1 - 15 years
Havrix Monodose®		16 years and over

KEY
 * Within the Summary of Product Characteristics (SPC)
 ** The Green Book (2013) refers to all hep A products, so the 25 year protection also applies to the combined products and paediatric hepatitis A vaccines. Until further evidence is available on persistence of protective immunity, a further booster at 25 years is indicated for those at ongoing risk. See the Green Book chapter (page 154) and NaTHNaC document at www.nathnac.org/pro/factsheets/hep_a.htm
 *** SPC for Havrix Monodose & Havrix Junior Monodose April 2012 states "Current recommendations do not support the need for further booster vaccination among immunocompetent subjects after 2 dose course"

See item no. 3 at <http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/tools/>

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Over to you!

- 1 What is the ideal schedule for a course of hepatitis A vaccine?
- 2 What do you do if the patient doesn't return for their booster on time?
- 3 How long does a completed course of hepatitis A vaccine last?
- 4 If a patient has a past medical history of confirmed hepatitis A infection, would you need to vaccinate them?
- 5 Are hepatitis A vaccines interchangeable?
- 6 If a patient had HNIG recorded in their notes would how would you proceed on hep A protection?
- 7 Is the time of the protection taken from the first dose or booster dose of hepatitis A vaccine?
- 8 If you gave a child a first hepatitis A vaccine and they return as an adult and a booster is required – which vaccine is best?
- 9 Could you give hepatitis A vaccine on the day of departure of a trip?

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Over to you!

- 1 What is the ideal schedule for a course of hepatitis A vaccine? **0 and 6-12 months**
- 2 What do you do if the patient doesn't return for their booster on time? **Just boost when they turn up**
- 3 How long does a completed course of hepatitis A vaccine last? **25 years**
- 4 If a patient has a past medical history of confirmed hepatitis A infection, would you need to vaccinate them? **No**
- 5 Are hepatitis A vaccines interchangeable? **Yes**
- 6 If a patient had HNIG recorded in their notes would how would you proceed on hep A protection? **Start a course of hep A vaccine**
- 7 Is the time of the protection taken from the first dose or booster dose of hepatitis A vaccine? **25 years from the booster dose**
- 8 If you gave a child a first hepatitis A vaccine and they return as an adult and a booster is required – which vaccine is best? **Boosting with an adult dose**
- 9 Could you give hepatitis A vaccine on the day of departure of a trip? **Yes**

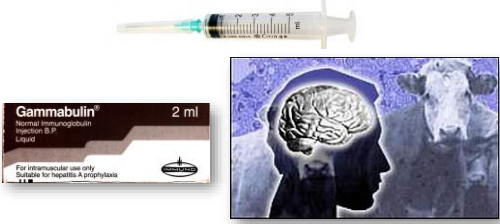
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hepatitis-a-the-green-book-chapter-17>

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Some historical hepatitis A protection/vaccine information

Immunoglobulin given in 1980s and early 1990s but discontinued due risk of CJD from UK sourced blood products



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Some historical hepatitis A protection and vaccine information


- Immunoglobulin given in 1980s and early 1990s but discontinued due risk of CJD from UK sourced blood products
- Hepatitis A vaccine introduced in 1992 – Havrix – had to give two doses prior to travel as it had 720 ELISA units of hepatitis A (three doses in total course)
- Havrix Monodose available from 1994 which had 1440 ELISA units of hepatitis A and only one dose required prior to travel (two doses in total course)
- Vaqta Adult – problem in 1990s when some batches thought not to give protection – instructed at that time to disregard doses given previously and re-vaccinate. Vaqta Adult now available again
- See **Nuggets of Knowledge – hepatitis A**

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Would this traveller need hep A vaccine?

- Lucy is 19 years old and is going on a two week holiday in the Galapagos Islands
- She is up to date on all her scheduled national programme immunisations
- She hasn't travelled abroad before
- No PMH, she is on the OCP only
- Which vaccine schedule would you give?




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Would this traveller need hep A vaccine ?


- James is 26 years old
- he's taking a one year career break back packing around the world
- He last had a tetanus vaccine as a school booster 9½ years ago at the age of 16
- He tells you he had one dose of hep A vaccine when he was 12 years old but there is no record of it in the notes
- How would you proceed?



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Tip



Hepatitis A vaccine provides some of the most frequently asked questions therefore NaTHNaC and TRAVAX both have very helpful documents to help – it’s a good idea to be aware of them

<http://travelhealthpro.org.uk/hepatitis-a/>
<http://www.travax.nhs.uk/diseases/vaccine-preventable/hepatitis-a/hepatitis-a-faqs.aspx>

FAQ on Hep A from TRAVAX

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Hepatitis

The basic principles of a hepatitis A vaccine schedule



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Recommend you do this to consolidate knowledge – see on your page



Nuggets of Knowledge
Hepatitis A vaccine

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Hepatitis A vaccine shortage

START COURSE DETAILS

15 minute video explaining why vaccine shortages happen, where to find details of vaccine supply and how to use the dose sparing guidance. Also links provided to all the resources required.




Vaccine shortages
and managing hepatitis A dose sparing guidance

<https://www.janechiodini.co.uk/education/online-learning/>

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Hepatitis B



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WHO Factsheet – Hepatitis B
updated July 2017

- Hepatitis B is a viral infection that attacks the liver and can cause both acute and chronic disease.
- The virus is transmitted through contact with the blood or other body fluids of an infected person.
- An estimated 257 million people are living with hepatitis B virus infection (defined as hepatitis B surface antigen positive).
- In 2015, hepatitis B resulted in 887 000 deaths, mostly from complications (including cirrhosis and hepatocellular carcinoma).
- Hepatitis B is an important occupational hazard for health workers.
- However, it can be prevented by currently available safe and effective vaccine.

<http://www.who.int/en/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/hepatitis-b>

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GLOBAL HEPATITIS REPORT, 2017

World Health Organization

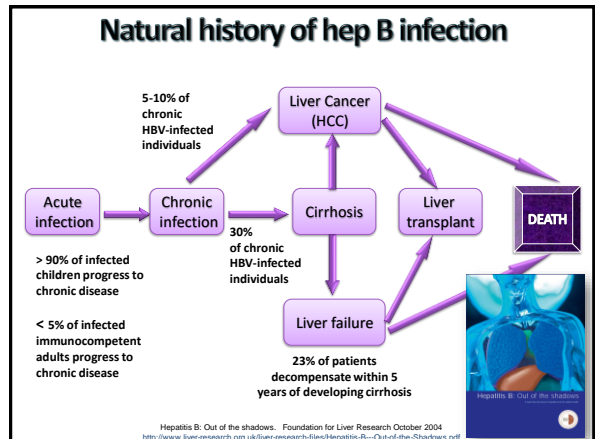
Viral hepatitis caused 1.34 million deaths in 2015, a number comparable to deaths caused by tuberculosis and HIV. But while mortality from tuberculosis and HIV has been declining, deaths from hepatitis are on the increase.

Globally, in 2015, an estimated 257 million people were living with chronic HBV infection, and 71 million people with chronic HCV infection.

Unsafe injections decreased from 39% in 2000 to 5% in 2010 worldwide. However, in the Eastern Mediterranean and South-East Asia regions, needles and syringes were frequently reused without being sterilized.

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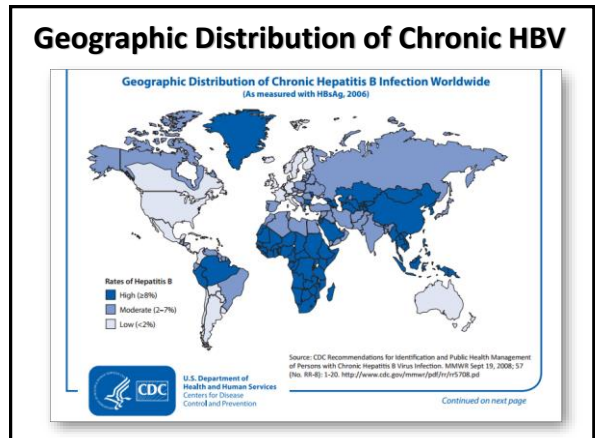
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This Khmer woman died of hepatoma, four months after arriving in a refugee camp in Thailand

<http://www.vaccineinformation.org/hepb/photos.asp> or
<http://www.immunize.org/photos/hepatitis-b-photos.asp>

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USA and European resources: see 'immunisation resources' and 'hepatitis B' in 'HELP'

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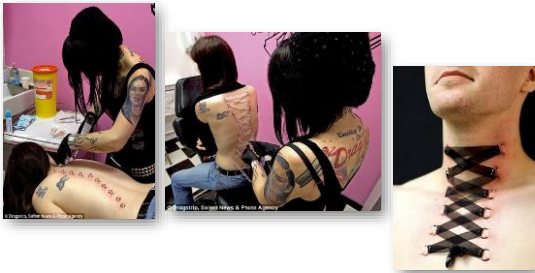
Transmission of hepatitis B

Oooops!
Like emergency contraception of other folks.

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More recent craze – corset piercing




<http://unusual-things.blogspot.com/2011/05/surgeon-blasts-latest-craze-in-body.html>

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The commonest transmission route of hepatitis B?

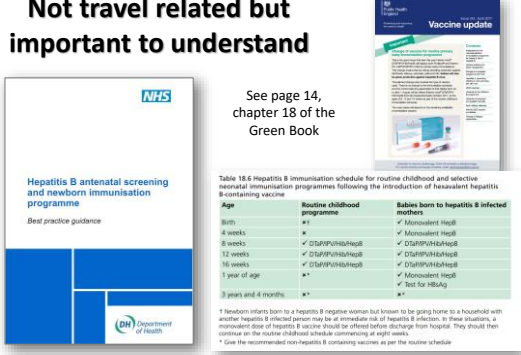


http://unicef.org.blogspot.co.uk/2010/10/unicef-executive-director-launches_31.html

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Not travel related but important to understand



See page 14, chapter 18 of the Green Book

Age	Routine childhood programme	Babies born to hepatitis B infected mothers
Birth	*1	✓ Monovalent HepB
8 weeks	✓ DTaP/PPV/Hib/HepB	✓ Monovalent HepB
8 weeks	✓ DTaP/PPV/Hib/HepB	✓ DTaP/PPV/Hib/HepB
12 weeks	✓ DTaP/PPV/Hib/HepB	✓ DTaP/PPV/Hib/HepB
16 weeks	✓ DTaP/PPV/Hib/HepB	✓ DTaP/PPV/Hib/HepB
1 year of age	*2	✓ Monovalent HepB
3 years and 4 months	*3	✓ Test for HBsAg
		*4

*1 Hepatitis B vaccine is given to all babies born to a hepatitis B negative mother but known to be going home to a household with another hepatitis B infected person may be at immediate risk of hepatitis B infection. In these situations, a second dose of hepatitis B vaccine should be offered before discharge from hospital. They should then continue on the routine childhood schedule commencing at eight weeks.
*2 Give the recommended non-hepatitis B containing vaccines as per the routine schedule.
*3 Give the recommended non-hepatitis B containing vaccines as per the routine schedule.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/215621/09_121677.pdf
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hepatitis-b-antenatal-screening-and-newborn-immunisation-programme-best-practice-guidance>

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Green Book recommendations for hepatitis B vaccine

- Injecting drug users
- Individuals who change sexual partners frequently, particularly MSM and commercial sex workers
- Close family contacts of a case or carrier
- Families adopting children from countries with a high or intermediate prevalence of hepatitis B
- Foster carers
- Individuals receiving regular blood or blood products and their carers
- Patients with chronic renal failure
- Patients with chronic liver disease
- Inmates of custodial institutions
- Individuals in residential accommodation for those with learning difficulties

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The Green Book information regarding travellers

People travelling to or going to reside in areas of high or intermediate prevalence

Travellers to areas of high or intermediate prevalence who place themselves at risk when abroad should be offered immunisation. The behaviours that place them at risk will include sexual activity, injecting drug use, undertaking relief aid work and/or participating in contact sports. Travellers are also at risk of acquiring infection as a result of medical or dental procedures carried out in countries where unsafe therapeutic injections (e.g. the re-use of contaminated needles and syringes without sterilisation) are a risk factor for hepatitis B (Kane et al., 1999; Simonsen et al., 1999). Individuals at high risk of requiring medical or dental procedures in such countries should therefore be immunised, including:

- those who plan to remain in areas of high or intermediate prevalence for lengthy periods
- children and others who may require medical care while travelling to visit families or relatives in high or moderate-endemism countries
- people with chronic medical conditions who may require hospitalisation while overseas e.g. dialysis
- those travelling for medical care

NB. The Green Book is nothing to do with whether the traveller should pay for vaccine or not

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/148308/Green-Book-Chapter-18.pdf


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Recent history of hep B vaccine shortage for use in travellers

21 Jul 2017


HEPATITIS B VACCINE SHORTAGE: IMPLICATIONS AND ADVICE FOR CLINICAL PRACTICE



Public Health England publishes hepatitis B vaccine recommendations and dose sparing advice for pre and post exposure immunisation and boosting

20 Nov 2017

HEPATITIS B VACCINE SHORTAGE AND VACCINE PRIORITISATION: ADVISING THE TRAVELLER



Public Health England and NaTHaC update the temporary recommendations for hepatitis B containing vaccine use in children and adults travelling to countries of intermediate/high prevalence

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Hepatitis B vaccine is back!

16 Jul 2018

PLAN FOR PHASED RE-INTRODUCTION OF HEPATITIS B VACCINE FOR TRAVELLERS

Public Health England has agreed to accelerate the phased reintroduction of vaccine



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Directions on use from NaTHNaC

- Combined hepatitis A/B vaccine continues to be available and is the preferred first line choice for travellers.
- For those who have previously received hepatitis A vaccine, and require a primary course of hepatitis B for travel to countries where there is a NaTHNaC hepatitis B vaccine recommendation, single antigen hepatitis B vaccine, can be offered
- NaTHNaC vaccine recommendations have been made for countries where 2% or more of the population were known to be persistently infected with the hepatitis B virus (intermediate/high prevalence)

<https://travelhealthpro.org.uk/news/133/plan-for-phased-re-introduction-of-hepatitis-b-vaccine-for-travellers>
<https://travelhealthpro.org.uk/factsheet/11/country-specific-information-rationale>

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Schedules for hepatitis B vaccine

HEPATITIS B vaccine (and schedules) Important – Hep B now in the childhood programme not included here		
Engerix B® - 0, 1 and 6 months	Over 16 years	Note: 0, 1, 2 month schedule Green Book doesn't advise 4 th dose at 12 months unless they remain at continued high risk, see Ch.18 Page 16. Note SmPCs do advise a 4 th dose but GB should be followed. Update to policy in the Green Book in June 2017 for hepatitis B for all (which would include travellers) states those who have received a primary course do not require a reinforcing dose of hep B containing vaccine except health care workers (boost once at 5 years), patients with renal failure and at time of significant exposure. Please read Ch. 18 page 13 of Green Book for detail. Testing for evidence of immunity post immunisation is not routinely recommended. See GB. Ch.18. Page 18
Engerix B® - 0, 1, 2 months	Over 16 years	
Engerix B® - 0, 7, 21 days & 12 months	Over 18 years in SmPC – (but also 16-18 years in Green Book)	
Engerix B® Paediatric 0, 1, 6 months	0 to 15 years	
Engerix B® Paediatric 0, 1, 2 months	0 to 15 years	
Engerix B® Option of two doses of 1 ml (20mcg) for low-compliance adolescents given 6 months apart when the risk of hepatitis B is low and completion of course can be assured before risk is high	11 – 15 years	
HBVaxPRO® 0, 1, and 6 months	16 years and over	
HBVaxPRO® 0, 1, 2 months	16 years and over	
HBVaxPRO® Paediatric 0, 1 & 6 months	0 – 15 years	
HBVaxPRO® Paediatric 0, 1, 2 months	0 – 15 years	

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Which schedule?

Hepatitis B Green Book chapter page 12

Pre-exposure immunisation schedule for high risk individuals

- For pre-exposure prophylaxis in most adult and childhood risk groups, an accelerated schedule should be used, with vaccine given at zero, one and two months.
- Higher completion rates are achieved with the accelerated schedule (at zero, one and two months) in groups where compliance is difficult (e.g. in people who inject drugs [PWID] and genitourinary medicine clinic attenders) (Asboe et al., 1996).
- This improved compliance is likely to offset the slightly reduced immunogenicity when compared with the zero-, one- and six-month schedule, and similar response rates can be achieved by the opportunistic use of a fourth dose after 12 months.
- An alternative schedule at zero, one and six months should only be used where rapid protection is not required and there is a high likelihood of compliance.
- If the primary course is interrupted it should be resumed but not repeated.)

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What about hepatitis B boosters?

Hepatitis B Green Book chapter page 13

Reinforcing doses for those who have received pre-exposure immunisation


The current UK recommendation is that those who have received a primary course of immunisation, including children vaccinated according to the routine childhood schedule and individuals at high risk of exposure, **do not require a reinforcing dose of Hep B-containing vaccine**, except in the following categories:

- healthcare workers (including students and trainees), who should be offered a single booster dose of vaccine, once only, around five years after primary immunisation
- patients with renal failure
- at the time of a significant exposure (see the chapter for more detail)

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/32622/Greenbook_chapter_13.pdf

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Plan for phased re-introduction of hepatitis B vaccine for lower priority groups in 2018

Statement in this guidance Feb 2018

– not yet in the Green Book

Booster doses in healthcare workers


On the advice of the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI), boosters (priority group 5) will no longer be routinely required in healthy, immunocompetent adults who have completed a primary course of vaccine, including healthcare workers who are known responders.

See page 8

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/583830/Plan_for_phased_re-introduction_of_hepatitis_b_vaccine_for_lower_priority_groups_2018.pdf

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In summary for hepatitis B vaccine given for travel purposes

- Use 0, 1 and 2 month schedule in preference to 0, 1 and 6 month when more rapid protection is needed
- If insufficient time before travel, use a 0, 7, 21 day and then reinforce at 12 months
- No longer boost at 5 years for travel
- Blood test not routinely performed for seroprotection in travellers

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Where would you find information about the levels of protection?



Pharmacodynamic properties

5.1 Pharmacodynamic properties
Pharmacotherapeutic group: Hepatitis B vaccine; ATC code: J07BC11
Ergen B induces specific humoral antibodies against HBsAg (anti-HBs) and HBeAg (anti-HBe) in addition to HBV infection.

5.2 Clinical efficacy and safety
Efficacy and safety data are based on randomised, controlled studies in healthy children and adults at risk of HBV infection. The efficacy of HBsAg antibody concentrations ≥ 10 IU/L was compared to the efficacy of HBsAg antibody concentrations ≥ 10 IU/L in clinical studies with the different schedules mentioned in section 5.1.

Population	Schedule	Seroprotection rate
Healthy subjects up to and including 15 years of age	0, 1, 6 months	at month 7: 96 %
	0, 1, 2 - 12 months	at month 1: 95 % at month 3: 95 % at month 12: 95.5 %

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Understanding Twinrix

Hepatitis A content

- **Havrix Monodose** – content of **1440** elisa units of hepatitis A
- **Havrix Junior Monodose** – content of **720** Elisa units of hepatitis A
- **Twinrix Adult** – content of **720** Elisa units of hep A plus an adult dose of hep B
- **Twinrix paediatric** – content of **360** elisa units of hepatitis A plus paediatric dose of hep B

Red = full dose Green = half dose Blue = quarter of a dose

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Hepatitis A vaccine antigen content within vaccines

Adapted from table 1 of the Public Health England
Hepatitis A vaccination in adults temporary recommendations *

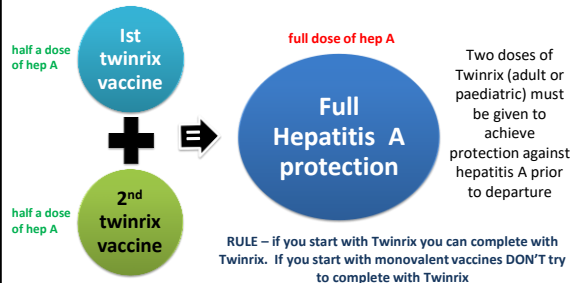
Hep A vaccine formulation	Trade name	Hep. A vaccine antigen content	Adult dose Hep A antigen equivalent	Made by
Adult monovalent hep A	AVAXIM	160 U	Full dose	SP
	HAVRIX MONODOSE	1440 EU	Full dose	GSK
	VAQZA ADULT	50 U	Full dose	MSD
Paediatric monovalent hep A	HAVRIX JUNIOR MONODOSE	720 EU	Half dose	GSK
	VAQZA PEDIATRIC	25 U	Half dose	MSD
Adult combination hepatitis A/B	TWINRIX ADULT	720 EU	Half dose	GSK
Paediatric combination hepatitis A/B	TWINRIX PEDIATRIC	360 EU	Quarter dose	GSK
	AMBIRIX	720 EU	Half dose	GSK
Combination hepatitis A/typhoid	VIATIM	160 EU	Full dose	SP

KEY
SP – Sanofi Pasteur; GSK = GlaxoSmithKline; MSD = Merck Sharpe Dohme Ltd.
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/hepatitis-a-infection-prevention-and-control-guidance>
https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/426282/hepatitis_a_vaccination_recommendations.pdf

Made into a poster and now on your webpage!

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Explaining composition of Twinrix



Two doses of Twinrix (adult or paediatric) must be given to achieve protection against hepatitis A prior to departure

RULE – if you start with Twinrix you can complete with Twinrix. If you start with monovalent vaccines DON'T try to complete with Twinrix

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Combination A and B vaccines schedules

- Twinrix adult**
 - 0, 1 & 6 months from 16 years
 - 0, 7, 21 days & 12 mths (18yrs)
- Twinrix paediatric**
 - 0, 1 & 6 months
 - Use in 1 – 15 year age group
- Ambirix**
 - 0 and 6 - 12 months
 - Use in 1 to 15 years

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Understanding content of Twinrix and Ambirix

- **Havrix Monodose** – content of **1440** elisa units of hepatitis A
- **Havrix Junior Monodose** – content of **720** Elisa units of hepatitis A
- **Twinrix Adult** – content of **720** Elisa units of hep A plus an adult dose of hep B
- **Twinrix paediatric** – content of **360** elisa units of hepatitis A plus paediatric dose of hep B

Ambirix – content of **720** elisa units of hepatitis A plus a full dose of hep B

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Combination hepatitis B vaccines used in the UK

Table 18.2 Dosage of combined hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccines by age (from the Green Book)


Vaccine product	Ages	Dose HAV	Dose HBV	Volume
Twinrix Adult® Hepatitis A (inactivated) and hepatitis B (rDNA) (HAB) vaccine (adsorbed)	16 years or over	720 ELISA units	20µg	1.0ml
Twinrix Paediatric® Hepatitis A (inactivated) and hepatitis B (rDNA) (HAB) vaccine (adsorbed).	1 – 15 years	360 ELISA units	10µg	0.5ml
Ambirix® Hepatitis A (inactivated) and hepatitis B (rDNA) (HAB) vaccine (adsorbed).	1 – 15 years	720 ELISA units	20µg	1.0ml

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/148308/Green-Book-Chapter-18.pdf

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In practice we give hepatitis B for lifestyle risks and travel, but not usually occupational risk. Hepatitis B is a large topic – it would be useful to read the Green Book chapter on this topic at https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/148308/Green-Book-Chapter-18.pdf


And the BMA guidance document at <http://bma.org.uk/practical-support-at-work/doctors-as-managers/managing-your-practice/focus-hepatitis-b-immunisations>

See the hepatitis B document on **your dedicated page !**

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Typhoid




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Enteric fevers – typhoid & paratyphoid

- Gram-negative bacterial infection
- Transmission by faecal-oral route, water borne and human to human
- Those at higher risk include VFRs, young children, long term travellers and those exposed to conditions of poor sanitation – mainly in Asia
- Incubation 7 to 14 days
- Fever, chills, headache, malaise, weakness, anorexia, abdominal pain, diarrhoea
- Complications in 10% -15%: intestinal perforation, bacteraemia, meningitis
- Chronic carrier status in <3% infected persons



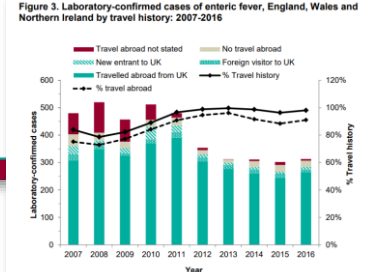
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Data from PHE

Public Health England
Enteric fever (typhoid and paratyphoid) England, Wales and Northern Ireland, 2007-2016

Figure 3. Laboratory-confirmed cases of enteric fever, England, Wales and Northern Ireland by travel history: 2007-2016



<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/typhoid-and-paratyphoid-laboratory-confirmed-cases-in-england-wales-and-northern-ireland>

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Reason for travel and destination

Figure 4. Reason for travel for laboratory-confirmed cases of enteric fever that travelled abroad from England, Wales and Northern Ireland: 2016 (N=265)

India, Pakistan and Bangladesh were the highest risk country for travellers returning with enteric fever

Table 3. Countries of travel and ethnicity for laboratory-confirmed cases of enteric fever that travelled abroad from England, Wales and Northern Ireland to visit friends and relatives: 2016 (N=198*)

Presumed country of infection	Ethnicity						Total
	Pakistani	Indian	Bangladeshi	Asian other	Black African	Other/mixed	
Pakistan	75	2	-	1	-	-	82
India	-	87	-	-	-	-	93
Bangladesh	-	-	12	-	-	-	12
Sub-Saharan Africa	-	-	-	-	2	1	4
South America	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Europe	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Other Asia	-	3	-	3	-	-	7
Total	75	92	12	4	2	3	120

* Note that some cases travelled to more than one country; all countries are included in this table so the totals in the table will be higher than the actual number of cases.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/typhoid-and-paratyphoid-laboratory-confirmed-cases-in-england-wales-and-northern-ireland>

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Details from the Green Book

Vaccine product	Ages	Dose	Volume
Typhim Vi	Two years and older	25µg	0.5ml
Typherix	Two years and older	25µg	0.5ml

Dosage of oral monovalent typhoid vaccine

Vaccine product	Ages	Dose
Vivotif	Six years and older	Three capsules on days 0, 2 and 4

Dosage of combined typhoid and hepatitis A vaccines*

Vaccine product	Ages	Dose typhoid	Dose HAV†	Volume
Hepatyrix	15 years and older	25µg	1440 ELISA units	1ml
VIATIM	16 years and older	25µg	160 antigen units	1ml

* For booster doses of either typhoid or HAV, single antigen vaccines can be used
† HAV – hepatitis A vaccine

License has just changed to 5 years

Note
Typherix and Hepatyrix have now been discontinued – Green Book not yet updated

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/148512/Green-Book-Chapter-33-ch_125348.pdf

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Two vaccines for typhoid protection No vaccine is available against paratyphoid

TYPHOID vaccine	2 years and over	3 years
Typhim Vi® Single dose	2 years and over	3 years
Vivotif® (Ty214) Oral vaccine on days 0, 2 & 4	6 years and over	3 years (take with cold or lukewarm drink 1 hr before meal, swallow capsule whole)

Injectable typhoid protection is a polysaccharide vaccine and so just one dose makes up 'the course'. After this time period if further typhoid protection is needed a new dose is given.

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Oral typhoid - Vivotif

www.medicines.org.uk

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Oral typhoid vaccine - Vivotif

- LIVE vaccine*
- Use from 6 years of age in Green Book (but 5 years on the SPC)
- Three doses on days 0, 2 & 4 (Green Book)

Administration

- The capsule should be taken approximately one hour before a meal with a cold or lukewarm drink (temperature not to exceed body temperature, e.g. 37°C)
- The vaccine capsule should not be chewed and should be swallowed as soon as possible after placing in the mouth

* can be administered at any time before or after other live vaccines.

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Interactions with other medication from the SmPC

- Antibiotics – Vivotif may not work if it is taken while you are also taking antibiotics. Take Vivotif no earlier than 3 days after the last dose of an antibiotic
- Medicines to prevent malaria – do not start these until 3 days after the last dose of Vivotif
- Yellow fever vaccine can be given while taking Vivotif

Vivotif® Patient Information Leaflet <http://www.medicines.org.uk/EMC/medicine/24328/93/Vivotif/>

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Oral typhoid vaccine is an NHS provision in an NHS setting

1. You could buy this vaccine in and bring the patient in for all three doses
2. You could administer the vaccine to the patient for the first dose and given them the other two doses to take home to self administer but the vaccine must be stored at 2 – 8°C
3. You could supply the vaccine on an FP10 and allow the patient to self administer

You need to ensure that your traveller understands the importance of, and can assure the cold chain in points 2 and 3 above.

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Who would need typhoid vaccine if there is a shortage?

- Family of four going to an all inclusive break for a 10 days Cancun
- 40 year old couple travelling to stay in 4 star hotel in Bangkok for two weeks
- 26 year old man going to stay in Bangkok in a guest house/hostel type accommodation and he has type 1 diabetes
- Parents and their children of 7, 5 and 2 years travelling to Pakistan for 3 weeks to see family

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NaTHNaC and TRAVAX have both written information documents on typhoid as well

<http://travelhealthpro.org.uk/typhoid-and-paratyphoid/>
<http://www.travax.nhs.uk/diseases/vaccine-preventable/typhoid/typhoid-faqs.aspx>

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Hepatitis A + Typhoid available as a combined vaccine

Why give combination vaccines?

COMBINED vaccines (and schedules)		
VIATIM® (Hepatitis A and typhoid) Single dose	16 years and over	6-12 months for hepatitis A component (then hepatitis A booster given as a monovalent vaccine) and 9 years for the typhoid component

The combination hepatitis A and typhoid vaccine can be given with the hep A protection provided as either the first dose or reinforcing or booster dose of hep A vaccine as long as there is the three year interval to fulfill the typhoid requirement of the vaccine.


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Does this traveller need typhoid vaccine ?


Anu is travelling to Mumbai to see relatives for a 4 week stay – she is 22 years old. She had a 1st dose hepatitis A vaccine at the age of 14 years. Would she need a typhoid vaccine and which one would you give if so?

Anu needs a booster dose of hepatitis A vaccine and she needs a typhoid vaccine so it would be very appropriate in this situation to give her a combined hepatitis A and typhoid vaccine.



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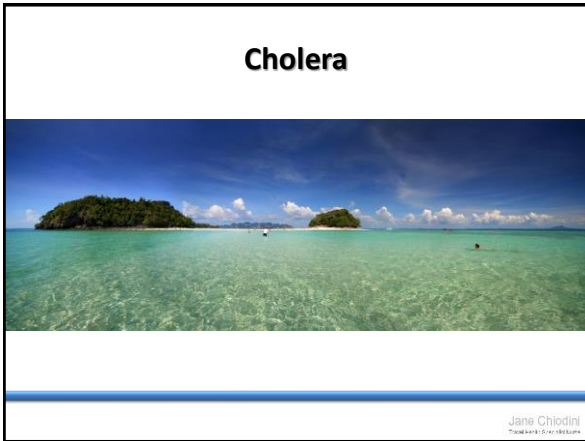


Food and water hygiene advice remain paramount

https://travelhealthpro.org.uk/news/349/extensively-drug-resistant-typhoid-fever-in-pakistan

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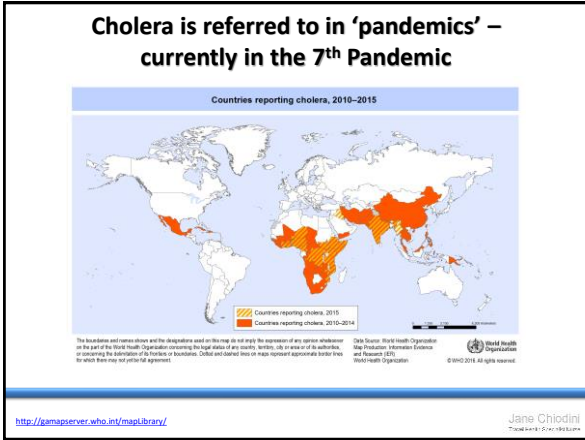
Cholera

Disease	Organism	Mode of transmission
Cholera	Bacterial infection	Mainly water-borne through ingestion of faecally contaminated water or shellfish and other foods. Person-to-person spread may occur through the faecal-oral route

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Cholera

- Acute intestinal infection
- Causal bacterium - *Vibrio cholerae*
- Transmitted faecal orally
- 90% cases are mild to moderate
- 10% cases very severe – leading to profuse diarrhoea, vomiting, circulatory collapse and shock
- Mortality rate can be over 50% in untreated cases, unless rapid rehydration therapy is given promptly
- Chronic carriage is rare
- Organism survives for up to 2 weeks in fresh water and 8 weeks in salt water
- Transmission normally through infected drinking water




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Management of cholera

- Fluid replacement
- Prompt action improves outcome
- IV fluids in severe cases or when vomiting
- Rapid rehydration until signs improve
- NG tube used if IV not possible
- Antibiotic therapy in severe cases



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Cholera recommendations for administration

Advice from the Green Book

- Immunisation against cholera can be considered, following a full risk assessment, for the following categories of traveller:
 - relief or disaster aid workers
 - persons with remote itineraries in areas where cholera epidemics are occurring and there is limited access to medical care
 - **travellers to potential cholera risk areas, for whom vaccination is considered potentially beneficial.**

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Cholera vaccine fact finding


- What is the youngest age at which give cholera vaccine can be prescribed?
- How many doses would you give a child?
- How many doses would you give an adult?
- What is the minimum and maximum time interval between doses?
- How long does cholera vaccine last?

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Cholera Vaccine

CHOLERA vaccine		
Dukoral® Oral vaccine. 2 doses, minimum 1 wk. apart and maximum 6 weeks apart, from 6yrs of age. 3 doses, in 2 – 6 year olds	2 years and over	2 yrs in age 6 to adult 6 months in 2 – 6 year olds NBM 1 hr before & after vaccine



Food and drink should be avoided 1 hour before and 1 hour after vaccination. Oral administration of other medicinal products should be avoided within 1 hour before and 1 hour after administration of Dukoral.

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From the PiL

Instructions:

1. To prepare buffer solution dissolve the effervescent granules in a glass of cool water (approx. 150 ml). Do not use any other liquid.
Children 2-6 years: pour away half of the buffer solution.
2. Shake the vaccine bottle (1 bottle = 1 dose).
3. Add the vaccine to the buffer solution. Mix well and drink the mixture. Drink the vaccine within 2 hours after mixing with the buffer solution. Avoid food and drink starting 1 hour before until 1 hour after the vaccination.

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Cholera vaccine is an NHS provision in an NHS setting


1. You could buy this vaccine in and bring the patient in for subsequent doses
2. You could administer the vaccine to the patient for the first dose and given them the 2nd dose to take home to self administer but the vaccine must be stored at 2 – 8°C
3. You could supply the vaccine on an FP10 and allow the patient to self administer

You need to ensure that your traveller understands the importance of, and can assure the cold chain in points 2 and 3 above.





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Meningococcal meningitis



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Meningococcal Meningitis

- Meningococcal disease is a rare, but potentially devastating infection
- Caused by the bacteria *Neisseria meningitidis* of which there are 6 disease-causing strains called serogroups (A, B, C, W, Y and X)
- Approximately 10 percent of the general population of the UK are thought to carry *N. meningitidis* in the lining of the nose and throat
- Spread between individuals occurs through coughing, sneezing, kissing or during close contact with a carrier
- Carriers do not have symptoms, but can develop disease when bacteria invade the bloodstream from the nasopharynx
- Invasive disease is a rare but serious outcome usually presenting as septicaemia or meningitis


<http://travelhealthpro.org.uk/diseases/meningococcalmeningitis/>

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Meningococcal Meningitis

- Less commonly, individuals may present with pneumonia, myocarditis, endocarditis, pericarditis, arthritis, conjunctivitis, urethritis, pharyngitis and cervicitis



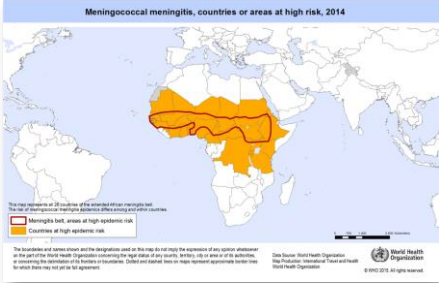
- The incubation period is from two to seven days

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Meningococcal meningitis vaccine given to travellers going to meningitis belt in Africa



Meningococcal meningitis, countries or areas at high risk, 2014

The map indicates all 28 countries of the meningitis belt. The risk of meningococcal meningitis is highest in the meningitis belt. Countries at high epidemic risk are highlighted in orange.

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http://pamapserver.who.int/maplibrary/Files/Maps/Global_MeningitisRisk_ITI@RiskMap.png

<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/yellowbook/2016/infectious-diseases-related-to-travel/meningococcal-disease>

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Vaccine recommendation for travellers to the meningitis belt

Meningococcal disease vaccination

Vaccination is recommended for those whose activities or medical condition put them at increased risk including:

- healthcare workers
- those visiting friends and relatives
- those who live or travel 'rough' such as backpackers
- long-stay travellers who have close contact with the local population
- those with certain rare immune system problems (complement disorders) and those who do not have a functioning spleen

From NaTHNaC ←

Who Should I Vaccinate for Meningococcal Meningitis?

Consider vaccinating:

- Travellers who are likely to have close, prolonged contact with the local population.
- Long stay travellers.
- Those visiting friends and relatives
- Those who will be exposed to crowded areas (e.g. stadia, schools, dormitories, hospitals)
- Travellers visiting an area affected by an ongoing outbreak or epidemic.
- Immunocompromised travellers (including asplenia) visiting endemic areas.

From TRAVAX →

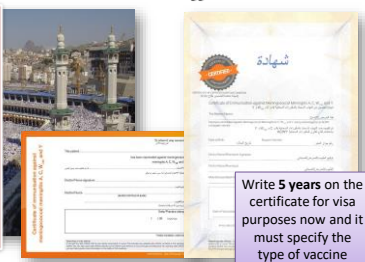
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and travellers going on a pilgrimage to Umrah and Hajj

The KSA Ministry of Health (MoH) currently recommends that, as a precautionary measure, pregnant women and young children, should postpone the performance of the Hajj and Umrah.

Those with severe medical conditions such as terminal cancers, advanced cardiac, respiratory, liver, kidney diseases or senility are exempt from these religious duties



Write **5 years** on the certificate for visa purposes now and it must specify the type of vaccine

Note – information given that vaccine must be given minimum of 10 days prior to entry into the country

Certificates available at:
https://hsa.gov.uk/content/dam/global/hcpportal/en_GB/theravareas/vaccines/pdf/meningococcal-acwy-certificate.pdf
 and <https://globovaccines.media.com/media/7wicket/interface-3-1-17>

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The ACWY vaccines

Menveo

- Conjugate vaccine
- Use from two years of age
- Available from GSK
- GSK data gives 5 years protection from administration

Nimenrix

- Conjugate vaccine
- Use from 6 weeks now*
- Just had black triangle removed
- Available from Pfizer
- Pfizer studies up to 60 months – refer to pharmacodynamics properties in the SPC


* If needing to give, please check the Green Book, the SPC and TravelHealthPro

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/302904/Green_Book_CBP@r_22_v2_5.pdf, Jane Chiodini
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When would you boost - it's been very confusing!

- The Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) Committee reviewed information on length of protection following ACWY conjugate vaccination. Antibody against serogroup A disease was the first to wane, and this meant boosting was important for travel, but less important for the routine Men ACWY programme in the UK.
- For travellers at continued risk, the Committee agreed that boosting **every five years** would be a sensible approach until data became available.






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Immunisation Training



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Some of the resources on the 'Help' page with more being added

HELP - to find items mentioned at study days (and more!)
 REPLY TO: Click on the mouse button to find resources on the following:

- IMMUNISATION RESOURCES
- DISABILITY
- TRAVEL HEALTH
- CHILDREN TRAVELLING
- PLATEFORM 9

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For example, Immunisation Resources

IMMUNISATION RESOURCES

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New immunisation training guidance

Revised and updated version of the original standards published by the former HPA in 2005. Previously published as two separate documents, this revised document incorporates the Minimum Standards and the Core Curriculum in one document.

The joint RCN/PHE documents 'Supporting the delivery of immunisation education', and the 'Immunisation knowledge and skills competence assessment tool' previously published by the RCN have both now been incorporated into this version.

Practitioners may also require additional training depending on the vaccine(s) they give.
For example, those who give travel immunisations will require specific training on travel health – a generic immunisation course alone would not be sufficient.

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Intended to be free of charge for all

Access our e-learning programmes on the e-LFH Hub Register / Log in >

Immunisation
 An interactive e-learning programme to support the training of healthcare professionals involved in advising an advisor delivering immunisations across the life course.

This programme is in partnership with...

- Public Health England
- Royal College of Nursing
- RCGPCH
- UCL
- CGO
- Public Health Agency

<https://www.e-lfh.org.uk/programmes/immunisation/>

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Yellow card

A side effect to a medicine?
 You can report it using **YellowCard**

Visit www.mhra.gov.uk/yellowcard to report suspected side effects

You can get Yellow Card forms:
 • from pharmacists or GP surgeries
 • by calling 0800 100 3352

<https://yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk/downloadable-information/>

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Licensed, Unlicensed and Off-label

Why is my child being offered an 'off-label' vaccine?

Off-label vaccines
 An introductory guide for healthcare professionals

A brief guide for parents
 The use of vaccines that have been temporarily stored outside the recommended temperature range

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/Attachment_data/file/390117/PHE_9173_VU_223_Dec_2014_11.pdf

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Immunisation training includes...

- CPR and anaphylaxis
- Consent
- Prescribing
- Administration
- Documentation
- Vaccine storage – protocol
- Finance

Not part of the National Standards, but topics covered briefly on day 2

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www.resus.org.uk

Annual training for CPR and anaphylaxis should be undertaken

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Vaccine ordering, storage and handling

The perfect fridge!

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Prescribing for travel medicine

Legal requirement – covered on day 2

<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/mgp2>

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FAQs (under News) for information on prescribing

<http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/news/faqs/faq-no-1/>

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Consent


Chapter 2 in the 'Green Book'

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Administration

- Cleansing the skin
- Size of needles
- Preparing the vaccine
- Post vaccination waiting time ?



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Equipment



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Importance of Documentation – working within your code



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Resources for a travel service



To be found at <http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/tools/travel-service/>

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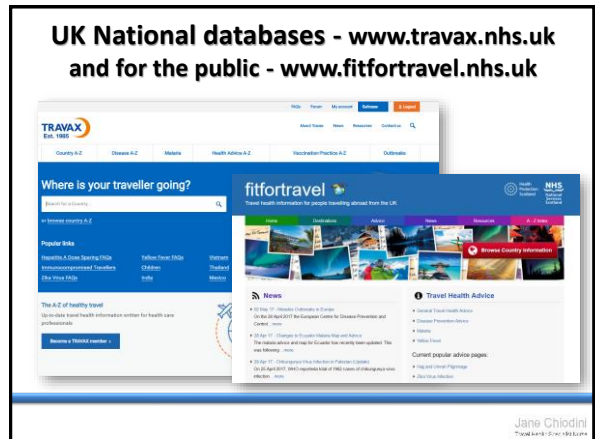


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Access via the 'New to Travel' page on my website

Please note, if using TRAVAX, you will still need a user name and password

<http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/tools/new-to-travel/>

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Key UK resources

- Department of Health 'Green Book' published in 2006 but new cover and new publication date of 2013
- DO NOT USE PAPER COPY
- Use online version
 - Whole book
 - Individual chapters
 - Update patches

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Key UK resources

- UK Malaria Guidelines found at www.malaria-reference.co.uk
- Also available from the malaria page on my website <http://www.janechiodini.co.uk/news/help/malaria/>

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DH, PHE and MHRA all under one roof

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health>
<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england>

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Working within National Guidelines and knowing one's limitations

Telephone helplines

NaTHNaC
 0845 602 6712
 Monday – Friday 9am to 11.00 am and 1pm to 2pm x 2
 Closed Monday and Friday at 2pm and other days at 3.30pm

TRAVAX
 0141 300 1130
 Mon. & Wed. 2 to 4pm
 Friday 9.30 to 11.30am

MRL e mail service
 Download risk assessment form from www.malaria-reference.co.uk, complete and return by e mail

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Electronic Medicines Compendium
www.medicines.org.uk – provides SmPCs and PILs

Don't forget the protected login area to store your own choices

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Immunisation training

National Minimum Standards and Core Curriculum for Immunisation Training for Registered Healthcare Practitioners
Revised February 2018

Public Health England, Royal College of Nursing, HSC Public Health Agency, GIC NI, RCPH, NICE

<https://www.janechiodini.co.uk/help/immunisation-resources/>

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Finding additional destinations

Google search www.google.co.uk
and/or google maps
<http://maps.google.co.uk/>

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Worldwide resources

CDC Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
TRAVELERS' HEALTH

Chikungunya
VACCINES, MEDICINES, ADVICE.

International travel and health
World Health Organization

TRAVAX from Shoreland is not the same as UK TRAVAX

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Other useful maps also at www.who.int/ith

Cholera, areas reporting outbreaks, 2009-2010

World Health Organization

http://gamapserver.who.int/maplibrary/Files/Maps/Global_CholeraCases_THRiskMap.png

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World Health Organization
www.who.int

or Google title of the WHO Factsheet required
an extremely useful website with so much information
e.g.
Substandard and falsified medical products

Substandard and falsified medical products

Key facts

- Substandard and falsified medical products may cause harm to patients and fail to treat the diseases for which they were intended.
- They tend to be of substandard or counterfeit quality, have poor quality control systems.
- They affect every region of the world.
- Substandard and falsified medical products have all main therapeutic categories: have been reported to WHO including medicines, vaccines and in vitro diagnostics.
- Anti-counterfeit and antibiotic are amongst the most commonly reported substandard and falsified medical products.
- Both generic and counterfeit medicines can be falsified, ranging from very expensive products for cancer to very inexpensive products for treatment of pain.
- They can be found in legal street markets, on unregulated websites through e-pharmacies, clinics and hospitals.
- As an estimated 1 in 10 medical products in low and middle income countries is substandard or falsified.
- Substandard and falsified medical products contribute to antimicrobial resistance and drug-resistance infections.

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Finding travel clinics abroad www.istm.org

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Additional websites and resources on my website



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Interim work between the two study days listed on your webpage

- Play the vaccine videos to recap on this aspect
- Look around my website
- Find out what travel PGDs you have at work
- See if you have a vaccine storage protocol at work
- Do the practice case study e learning on your page if you have time left
- Remember you can go into the e learning to reflect on today's presentation if you wish – but only available for a limited time.

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Don't forget to view the tasks suggested if you can for the interim period.
See you on Thursday 24th January 2019



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