Advisory document to support the delivery of diphtheria, tetanus, acellular pertussis, inactivated poliomyelitis, Haemophilus influenzae type b and hepatitis B vaccine (DTaP/IPV/Hib/HepB) PGD in accordance with the National Immunisation Programme in Wales

We gratefully acknowledge UKHSA for their permission to use their DTaP/IPV/Hib/HepB PGD as a reference resource across NHS Wales, to be used alongside this associated advisory document.

Individual Summaries of Product Characteristics (SmPCs) may differ in their licensed indications from official vaccination policy as specified in the Green Book and Welsh Policy.

On these occasions, Green Book recommendations should take precedence and provides the rationale for any off-label use. Practitioners using authorised PGDs should also be familiar with the relevant chapters of the Green Book, SmPCs and Welsh Policy, and be constantly alert to any subsequent recommendations from Public Health Wales and/or Welsh Government and other sources of medical information.

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Section 5. Description of treatment	
Dose and frequency of administration	The following statement does NOT apply in Wales due to policy difference: Children born on or before 30 June 2024 should continue to be offered a dose of Hib at one year of age, as Hib/MenC. Once Menitorix® is no longer available, these children should be offered their Hib dose as the hexavalent vaccine from one year of age. See the Hib/MenC PGD and the routine childhood vaccination schedule letter for further information. The following information DOES apply in Wales: As per WHC2025/19, within Wales the Hib/MenC (Menitorix®) vaccine will no longer be offered after 01 July 2025: Children **born on or before 30 June 2024** who present for their **one-year appointment** on or after 01 July 2025, should be offered a fourth dose of hexavalent (DTaP/IPV/Hib/HepB) vaccine alongside the other vaccines scheduled at one year of age (i.e. MenB, PCV13 and first MMR dose). Children **born on or after 01 July 2024** should be offered a fourth dose of hexavalent (DTaP/IPV/Hib/HepB) vaccine at the new routine **18-month appointment** alongside their second MMR dose.

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