
VACCINE POINTS

“Vaccine Points” is a bi-monthly communication distributed by the Hawaii Department of Health to all participating Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers.

Test your vaccine knowledge.

Question:

For a child born on May 23, 2014, which of the following rotavirus vaccine doses, if any, was/were appropriately administered?

1st dose: 6/29/14

2nd dose: 8/8/14

3rd dose: 1/25/15

Answer: 2nd dose: 8/8/14

The 1st dose was administered at 5 weeks, 2 days; the minimum age for Rotavirus vaccine #1 is 6 weeks of age. Note: the vaccine series should not be started for infants aged ≥ 15 weeks, 0 days. Dose #2 was administered at least 4 weeks after the invalid first dose and before age 15 weeks, 0 days. Dose #3 was administered a minimum of 4 weeks after dose #2; however, rotavirus vaccine should not be administered to children older than 8 months, 0 days of age, regardless of the number of doses received between 6 weeks, and 8 months, 0 days of age.

Source:

Prevention of Rotavirus Gastroenteritis Among Infants and Children: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/r5802a1.htm>
General Recommendations on Immunization: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (Table 1)
<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr6002a1.htm#Tab1>

