



# HAPPY SUMMER



## From Alameda County Public Health Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program

### Perinatal Hepatitis B Program

The Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program aims to prevent the perinatal transmission of the hepatitis B virus by promoting the following:

1. Health education for pregnant women who are chronically infected with hepatitis B and their families.
2. Identification of all household contacts and to provide linkage to care for hepatitis B medical screening and evaluation.
3. Case management to maintain contact with clients and physicians to ensure hepatitis B vaccine series and post vaccine serology test (a laboratory test that determines if an individual is protected from the virus after receiving the vaccine) are completed in a timely manner to protect infants and household contacts.

Healthcare providers can refer clients to ACPHD Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program by reporting all cases of hepatitis B surface antigen positive, pregnant women who reside in Alameda County as soon as their hepatitis B status is known.

[Confidential Morbidity Report \(shorturl.at/hmqEM\)](https://shorturl.at/hmqEM)

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For your reference, here is the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance for immunoprophylaxis for infants born to women chronically infected with hepatitis B:

Maternal Status	Infant $\geq 2000$ g	Infant $< 2000$ g
HBsAg positive	Hepatitis B vaccine + HBIG (within 12 h of birth)	Hepatitis B vaccine + HBIG (within 12 h of birth)
	Immunize with 3 vaccine doses at 0, 1, and 6 mo of chronologic age (single antigen vaccine preferred)*	Immunize with 4 vaccine doses at 0, 1, 2-3, and 6-7 mo of chronologic age (single antigen vaccine preferred)*
	Test for anti-HBs and HBsAg at 1-2 months after vaccine series completion, but not before 9 months of age.	Test for anti-HBs and HBsAg at 1-2 months after vaccine series completion, but not before 9 months of age.
	If infant is HBsAg and anti-HBs negative, re-immunize with 1 dose then retest, if still not protected give dose 2 & 3 then retest again.	If infant is HBsAg and anti-HBs negative, re-immunize with 1 dose then retest, if still not protected give dose 2 & 3 then retest again.

\*Note that for premature infants (weighing less than 2 kg at birth), the initial vaccine dose should not be counted in the required 3-dose schedule.

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