

Patient Product Information

BIOHIB[®]

(India's First Indigenously Developed Hib Vaccine)

Generic name: [Haemophilus Type b Conjugate Vaccine (Lyophilized)]

Read this information with care before getting your child vaccinated with BIOHIB[®]

1. What is BIOHIB[®] and what is it used for?

BIOHIB[®] is a vaccine used to prevent infection by Haemophilus influenza type B (Hib) bacteria. It mostly affects children younger than 5 years. Hib can cause serious infections in various parts of the body including:

- Meningitis (inflammation of the lining of the brain and spinal cord)
- Bacteremia (infection of the bloodstream)
- Pneumonia (lung infection)
- Epiglottitis (throat infection)

2. What are the important aspects to note before administering BIOHIB[®]?

Please inform doctor or nurse before taking BIOHIB[®] if:

- Infant is younger than 6 weeks
- Child who have had a life-threatening allergic reaction to the Hib vaccine in the past
- Child has a fever or infection
- Child with serious allergy to any ingredient in the vaccine
- Child has ever fallen ill after being previously vaccinated against *Haemophilus Influenzae* type b vaccine
- Child has any bleeding or blood disorders
- Child has any illness that may affect the immune system
- Child is taking other medicines or treatment which may compromise the immune system

3. How is BIOHIB[®] administered?

As per the recommendation of Indian Academy of Pediatrics (IAP), Haemophilus influenzae type B vaccine should be administered at: 6 weeks, 10 weeks, 14 weeks and 16-18 months of age group.

4. What are the possible side effects from administering BIOHIB[®]?

Side effects are usually mild and go away in a few days. They may include:

- Redness, heat, or swelling where the shot was given
- Fever