

DRUG:	ROTAVIRUS VACCINE (RotaTeq)
PRESENTATION:	2mL : Liquid in squeezable plastic, latex free dosing tube
ACTION & INDICATION:	Live oral pentavalent reassortant vaccine that induces protective immunity against human rotavirus gastroenteritis and it's complications.
DOSE:	Vaccination course of three doses: 1 st dose: between 6 and 12 weeks of age 2 nd and 3 rd dose: at greater than, or equal to 4 week intervals 3 rd dose by 32 weeks of age. To be administered on the day of their discharge from hospital only to infants who have been immunised,
ADMINISTRATION:	ORAL: Twist off cap on tube. Administer the entire contents of the dosing tube orally. Do not dilute contents of tube. DO NOT INJECT Observe infant for 15 minutes post administration for anaphylaxis (The dose may be given within the nursery confines)
ADVERSE EFFECTS:	Diarrhoea, vomiting, pyrexia, urticaria, nasopharyngitis Intussusception (very rare) Contraindications: Hypersensitivity to first dose Precautions: Immunosuppression, HIV infection, products including Ig within 42 days, immunodeficient household members, Serious medical conditions eg cystic fibrosis, failure to thrive, congenital heart disease, neutropenia, active GI illness, growth retardation, febrile illness
COMMENTS:	Refrigerate do not freeze. Vaccine should be discarded in approved biological waste if not used within 48 hours of removing from the refrigerator.
REFERENCES:	West Australian Vaccination Schedule April 2010 Product Information
DATE:	June 2011