IMPORTANT NEWS

Re: Rotavirus vaccine for babies whose mothers were on immunomodulators

Dear Doctor


This contains a change to recommendations about rotavirus vaccine for babies whose mothers were on immunomodulators.

Rotavirus vaccine should be deferred until 4 and 6 months of age if immunosuppression is anticipated to be moderate or severe.

This may occur in mothers

- with severe rheumatoid arthritis or inflammatory bowel disease receiving biological disease modifying anti-rheumatic drugs (bDMARDs)
- who have received a renal transplant

If in doubt, consult the supervising specialist.

Please forward this information to all relevant staff.

Yours sincerely

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