



Comprehensive Immunisation Schedule for Women

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The **Federation of Obstetric and Gynaecological Societies of India (FOGSI)** has introduced a comprehensive **immunisation schedule for women** aimed at increasing awareness and uptake of adult vaccines across India. This initiative aims to improve women's health quality, recognizing that **women spend 25% more time in poor health compared to men.**

- This initiative marks a significant step in addressing [vaccine-preventable diseases \(VPDs\)](#) among women.
 - VPDs are caused by **bacteria or viruses** and can be prevented with vaccines. They can result in long-term illness, hospitalisation, and death. Examples of VPDs include **chickenpox**, diphtheria, and [poliovirus infection](#).
- The Government of India has initiated two major efforts to **increase immunisation coverage in the country.**
 - The [Universal Immunization Programme \(UIP\)](#) provides free immunisation against **12 vaccine-preventable diseases, including 9 nationally targeted diseases** such as [Diphtheria](#), Pertussis, Tetanus, [Polio](#), [Measles](#), [Rubella](#), severe [Childhood Tuberculosis](#), [Hepatitis B](#), and [Meningitis & Pneumonia](#) caused by *Haemophilus influenzae type B*.
 - Additionally, [Mission Indradhanush](#) was launched in 2014 to reach children who missed their vaccinations under the UIP. It has reached over **2.53 crore children and 68 lakh pregnant women** with life-saving vaccines through its **four phases**.
- FOGSI supports Obstetrics and Gynecology practitioners in India by promoting healthcare services, reproductive rights, and reducing [maternal mortality](#).

Read more: [WHO Report on Global Immunisation, Exploring the Durability of Modern Vaccines](#)

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