

## Information for RhD-negative mothers-to-be expecting an RhD-positive child

Analysis of your blood when you registered at the Midwife Clinic has shown that you are RhD-negative and that you are carrying an RhD-positive child. This means that there is a small risk of you developing antibodies to the child's red blood cells during pregnancy; this is called RhD immunisation. This occurs mainly during the third trimester. Swedish and international scientific data has shown that this risk can be reduced significantly with an extra preventative injection of Rh prophylaxis during this period.

Therefore, you are now offered this preventative treatment. The injection is given in the gluteus muscle, and the treatment is risk-free, both for you and your child. All RhD-negative pregnant women in Region Skåne who are expecting an RhD-positive child are offered this preventative treatment.

Your midwife will take a blood test around pregnancy week 24-25 before you can be given the injection.

The injection is given in pregnancy week 28–30 at your Midwife Clinic.

You will get a further Rh prophylaxis injection after the delivery.