

# School-based immunisation program

## Free recommended vaccines for students in years 7 and 10

- > Immunisation protects your child against vaccine-preventable diseases.
- > Parents, guardians and adolescents can consent for vaccinations via VaccinateWA (external site).
- > During the term, you can contact your child's school to find out when the program will be delivered.
- > If your child misses their vaccine at school, visit your immunisation provider (the vaccine is free, but consultation fees may apply).
- > From 1st Jan 2024, some Community Pharmacists may offer adolescent vaccines at no cost. Please check with your Pharmacy.

#### Year 7 students

Year 7 students are offered:

- Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine: 1 dose The HPV vaccine protects against the human papillomavirus (HPV)
- Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (dTpa) vaccine: 1 dose The dTpa vaccine protects against diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough (pertussis).

#### Important information to read before giving consent

- > Year 7 School-based immunisation program information for parents (PDF 902KB)
- > Year 7 School-based immunisation program vaccine information for parents (PDF 863KB).

## Year 10 students

Year 10 students are offered:

> Meningococcal ACWY (Men ACWY) vaccine: 1 dose

The Men ACWY vaccine protects against 4 strains of meningococcal disease disease.

#### Important information to read before giving consent

- > Year 10 School-based immunisation program information for parents (PDF 923KB)
- > Year 10 School-based immunisation program Meningococcal ACWY vaccine information.

## How to provide consent

Consent must be provided by a parent or guardian for their child/ren to receive vaccinations at school.

You are encouraged to provide consent online via VaccinateWA (external site). For assistance in using VaccinateWA, please email SBIP@health.wa.gov.au or call 9222 2486.

\*If you're not able to access the online system, you can print a copy of the school-based immunisation program consent form (PDF 953KB). **Note:** Details from the paper form will be entered into the VaccinateWA system so you may receive emails from VaccinateWA.

#### Instructions for consenting online via VaccinateWA

Watch the video below about how to link a dependant (your child) to your VaccinateWA account and register them for a vaccination plan or follow the instructions below.

- 1. Log in to your VaccinateWA (external site) account. If you do not have an account, you will need to create one first (external site).
- 2. From your homepage, click 'Add or manage dependants'
- 3. Click 'Register dependant' to create a new account for your child.
- 4. The 'My contact details' screen will be displayed. Fill in details for your child.
- 5. Your child's (dependant's) VaccinateWA homepage will be displayed. This will include all the vaccination programs they are eligible for. Select the relevant school-based immunisation program.
- 6. Your child's dashboard for that vaccination program will be displayed, follow the 3 steps below to complete registration.
- 7. Complete Step 1: 'About me', which requires you to enter the school name and year group.
- 8. Complete Step 2: 'Health Questionnaire'
- 9. Complete Step 3: 'Consent'. This step will outline the details of the vaccines you consent to your child receiving. Once you have selected your option, click 'Submit'.

For queries about using VaccinateWA please email SBIP@health.wa.gov.au or call 6376 0550.

#### After immunisation

Following vaccination, students will receive:

- > a record of vaccine(s) received
- instructions about care after vaccination.

Vaccines administered through the school-based immunisation program are recorded in the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR).

Australian Immunisation Register (AIR). For more information on how to view your child's record, please visit How to get immunisation history statements - Australian Immunisation Register - Services Australia.

### When a vaccine is missed at school (catch-up)

Catch-up is for young people who missed out on their vaccinations when they were first eligible. All eligible individuals are recommended to receive the catch-up vaccine as soon as possible to be protected.

If they missed their vaccination at school, they can receive a catch-up vaccine from another immunisation provider such as at community immunisation clinics, or at participating GPs, pharmacies or Aboriginal Medical Services (the vaccine is free, but consultation fees may apply). Consult your immunisation provider for more information.

Healthy young people aged up to 20 years old can catch-up if they have not previously received the dTpa or MenACWY vaccines.

Healthy young people who receive a single HPV dose before 26 years of age are now considered fully vaccinated and will not need further doses, with some exceptions.

#### Home-schooled students

Young people not attending school are still eligible to receive these vaccines in a non-school setting. Please see above section: "When a vaccine is missed at school", for examples of alternative immunisation providers.

#### **Translated information**

Information about vaccinations are available in the below community languages.

If you are seeking additional languages or formats, please email immunisation@health.wa.gov.au

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## > Arabic (PDF 1.01MB)

- > Burmese (PDF 973KB)
- > Thinese Simplified (PDF 1MB)
- > Tail Croatian (PDF 917KB)
- > 1 Dari (PDF 1.03MB)
- > 1 Hindi (PDF 925KB)
- > hungarian (PDF 930KB)
- > Indonesian (PDF 903KB)
- > ltalian (PDF 905KB)
- > Malay (PDF 899KB)
- > Polish (PDF 926KB)
- > 🔁 Romanian (PDF 915KB)
- Somali (PDF 904KB)
- Swahili (PDF 902KB)
- > Tagalog (PDF 901KB)
- > Thai (PDF 928KB)
- > Turkey (PDF 921KB)
- > 1 Urdu (PDF 1.01MB)

#### Year 7 vaccine information

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- > Burmese (PDF 950KB)
- Chinese Simplified (PDF 876KB)
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- Swahili (PDF 876KB)
- > Tagalog (PDF874KB)
- Thai (PDF 895KB)
- Turkey (PDF 894KB)
- > 🔁 Urdu (PDF 1.01MB)

#### Year 10 fact sheet

- > Burmese (PDF 980KB)
- Croatian (PDF 1.01MB)
- Chinese Simplified (PDF 1MB)
- Dari (PDF 901KB)
- Hungarian (PDF 1MB)
- Indonesian (PDF 901KB)
- Italian (PDF 906KB)
- Malay (PDF 899KB)
- Polish (PDF 1MB)
- Romanian (PDF 971KB)
- Somali (PDF 903KB)
- Swahili (PDF 901KB)
- Tagalog (PDF 901KB)
- Thai (PDF 959KB)
- Turkish (PDF 975KB)
- Urdu (PDF 968KB)

## Where to get help

For queries about using VaccinateWA please email SBIP@health.wa.gov.au or call 9222 2486.

Find the contact details for your area below:

Email address	Phone number	
CAHS.CHSBIP@health.wa.gov.au	Armadale: 9391 2279 Hilton (Fremantle): 6332 0115 Kwinana: 9419 2237 Lockridge: 9279 0133 Mirrabooka: 9345 7151 Perth: 9426 9441	
info@joondalup.wa.gov.au	9400 4954	
Email address	Phone number	
sbipgreatsouthern@health.wa.gov.au	9842 7500 (Monday - Thursday)	
SBIPSW@health.wa.gov.au	9781 2355	
SBIPWheatbelt@health.wa.gov.au	9690 1720	
SBIPmidwest@health.wa.gov.au	9956 1985	
ChildHealth.WACHS-Goldfields@health.wa.gov.au	Kalgoorlie/Leonora/Laverton: 9080 8200 Esperance: 9071 0400 Coolgardie/Kambalda/Menzies: 9025 0200	
WACHSKimberleyCommunicableDiseaseControl@health.wa.gov.au	9194 1640	
SBIPPilbara@health.wa.gov.au	Hedland: 9174 1321 Karratha: 9144 7833	
	info@joondalup.wa.gov.au  Email address  sbipgreatsouthern@health.wa.gov.au  SBIPSW@health.wa.gov.au  SBIPWheatbelt@health.wa.gov.au  SBIPmidwest@health.wa.gov.au  ChildHealth.WACHS-Goldfields@health.wa.gov.au  WACHSKimberleyCommunicableDiseaseControl@health.wa.gov.au	

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## See also

- > Where can I get immunised?
- > Contact details for population/public health units
- > Vaccines, vaccination and immunisation
- > Immunisation
- > Possible side effects of vaccination
- > Reporting side effects after immunisation
- > Genital warts

## **Related sites**

- > VaccinateWA (external site)
- > Sharing Knowledge About Immunisation (external site)
- > Immunisation | Australian Government Department of Health (external site)

> HPV vaccine (external site)

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