

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

Information about the Year 7 and Year 10 School-Based Immunisation Program 2023.

The School Based Immunisation Team will be visiting your child's school throughout 2023 to deliver Year 7 and Year 10 vaccinations. The program is delivered by a team of nurses experienced in providing vaccinations at schools.

Year 7 students are eligible to receive the *Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine* and *Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (dTpa) Booster vaccine* at school.

Year 10 students are eligible to receive the *Meningococcal ACWY vaccine* at school.

Parents/ Guardians are encouraged to access the information on disease transmission and symptoms of the diseases, including the vaccination schedule here: School-based immunisation program (healthywa.wa.gov.au)

All students require parent/guardian consent before they can receive any vaccinations at school.

Parents/guardians are requested to either consent or decline vaccination for their child via:

1. VaccinateWA Login - VaccinateWA (health.wa.gov.au), For instructions on how to consent online using vaccinate WA please visit the following link School-based immunisation program (healthywa.wa.gov.au) and watch the following video VaccinateWA – How to link a dependant and register for a vaccination plan - YouTube

OR

2. Paper based Immunisation Consent Form. The form can be collected from the school office, (you will receive confirmation when these are available to collect) and <u>must</u> be completed, signed, and returned to the school, even if you choose <u>not</u> to have your child immunised.

NOTE: Information in the hard copy consent form will be entered into the VaccinateWA system by school team staff. You will receive an email from VaccinateWA confirming this.



Parents/guardians will receive an email once their child receives a vaccine at school through the VaccinateWA system and your child will bring home an after-care vaccine record slip.

All vaccines provided will be recorded in the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR).

Families who miss a dose at school will be contacted by the SBIP team and are advised to see their GP, Aboriginal Medical Service, participating pharmacy or community immunisation clinic (consultation fees may apply). There may also be catch-up visits to schools for absent students scheduled for Term 4.

Please note: Covid-19 vaccinations will not be provided through the School-Based Immunisation Program. For information on where you can go to receive a Covid-19 vaccination please visit Service Finder (healthdirect.gov.au)

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

For queries regarding your local program please contact,

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(Tuesday - Thursday)



Free vaccinations at school for students in years 7 and 10

Protect your child against vaccine-preventable diseases.



Parents and guardians can consent on the VaccinateWA website.

Otherwise a hard copy form can be requested from school. Consent is required before the immunisation program starts in Term 1.

healthywa.wa.gov.au/schoolimmunisations

