

2026 Year 7

School Immunisation Program

Dear Parent/Legal Guardian

All students in **Year 7** are offered free vaccines under the National Immunisation Program to protect them from diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough (dTpa), and human papillomavirus (HPV).

A trained vaccination team will visit your child's school. Your child will receive two injections: one combined vaccine for diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough (dTpa) and one human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine.

Getting your child vaccinated at school is simple and straightforward.

Included with this letter is the **Year 7 Consent Card**. **Please read both sides of this page before completing the Consent Card and discuss these vaccines with your child.**

It is important that you complete the Consent Card and return it to the school, even if you DO NOT consent.

Your child may have already received some vaccines offered in the School Immunisation Program if they received catch up vaccines for missed childhood doses. Please make note of these details on the Consent Card.

Consent may be withdrawn at any time by contacting your **School Immunisation Program provider**. **It is important to contact the School Immunisation Program provider if the student has received the vaccine/s elsewhere before the school visit or if other information on the Consent Card needs to be updated.**

If your child is unwell or not at school on vaccination day, the School Immunisation Program provider will advise how your child can access the missed vaccines.

Immunisations are recorded on the Australian Immunisation Register. An immunisation history statement can be accessed from either the individual's **Medicare online account** through **myGov**, or the **Express Plus Medicare** mobile app.

Due to privacy laws, anyone aged 14 years or older needs to access their own statement or give permission for their parents/legal guardians to access their history statement.

Privacy

- The information you provide on the Consent Card, and information related to vaccines administered will be stored electronically and/or in hard copy as a medical record. This information will be disclosed to staff involved in the provision of an immunisation service for SA Health and local government councils and their immunisation providers. The immunisation records will be recorded on the Australian Immunisation Register where it will be stored on your child's Medicare account.
- If you are concerned that personal information has been misused or subject to unauthorised access, contact your School Immunisation Program provider. If the issue remains unresolved, contact SA Health Immunisation Section on 1300 232 272.



For more information on recommended adolescent vaccination offered in the School Immunisation Program visit:

skai.org.au/adolescent/vaccinating/12-13-years

For more information

Immunisation Section
Communicable Disease Control Branch
sahealth.sa.gov.au/SIP