Immunisation schedule Victoria October 2025

This schedule is intended as a guide only and complete consultation with the Australian Immunisation Handbook is recommended.

National Immunisation Schedule - Infants and children

Age	Disease	Vaccine	Notes
Birth	Hepatitis B	H-B-Vax-II paediatric or Engerix-B paediatric (IM)	Within 7 days of birth (ideally within 24 hours), no catch-up required
2 months (from 6 weeks) and 4 months	Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis, poliomyelitis-hepatitis B-*Haemophilus Influenzae* type b	Infanrix *hexa* (IM) or Vaxelis (IM)	Rotarix: Dose 1 limited to 6-14 weeks of age, dose 2 limited to 10-24 weeks of age Bexsero: Prophylactic paracetamol recommended pre and post vaccination – see AIH#. Catch up available for Aboriginal‡ children <2 years
	Pneumococcal	Prevenar 20 (IM)	
	Rotavirus	Rotarix (Oral)	
Aboriginal‡	Meningococcal B	Bexsero (IM)	
6 months	Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis-poliomyelitis-hepatitis B-*Haemophilus Influenzae* type b	Infanrix *hexa* (IM) or Vaxelis (IM)	Minimum intervals apply – see AIH# Additional funded dose of Prevenar 20 for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander infants, infants born before 28 weeks and medically at-risk infants for IPD* – see AIH#
Aboriginal‡	Pneumococcal	Prevenar 20 (IM)	
6 months to <5 years (annually)	Influenza†	As supplied	Administer annually. In children aged 6 months to less than 9 years of age in the first year of administration, give 2 doses a minimum of 1 month apart
12 months	Measles-mumps-rubella	Priorix or M-M-R II (IM/SC)	Bexsero: Prophylactic paracetamol recommended pre and post vaccination – see AIH#. Catch up available for Aboriginal‡ children <2 years
	Meningococcal ACWY	Nimenrix (IM)	
	Pneumococcal	Prevenar 20 (IM)	
Aboriginal‡	Meningococcal B	Bexsero (IM)	
18 months	Measles-mumps-rubella-varicella	Priorix-tetra (IM/SC)	
	Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis	Infanrix or Tripacel (IM)	
	Haemophilus Influenzae type b	Act-HIB (IM/SC)	
4 years	Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis-poliomyelitis	Infanrix IPV or Quadracel (IM)	
≥ 5 years with at risk condition (annually)	Influenza†	As supplied	Administer annually. If less than 9 years of age in the first year of administration, give 2 doses a minimum of 1 month apart

Aboriginal‡ ≥ 5 years (annually)	Influenza†	As supplied	Administer annually. If less than 9 years of age in the first year of administration, give 2 doses a minimum of 1 month apart

National Immunisation Schedule - Adolescents, adults and at-risk groups

Age	Disease	Vaccine	Notes
Aboriginal‡ (annually)	Influenza†	As supplied	Administer annually
People with at risk conditions (annually)	Influenza†	As supplied	Administer annually
Year 7 (or age equivalent)	Human papillomavirus (HPV)	Gardasil 9 (IM)	HPV: Single dose recommended. Not required if previously received. If dose was missed and not previously received, a catch-up is available up to and including 25 years of age
	Diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis	Adacel or Boostrix (IM)	
Year 10 (or age equivalent)	Meningococcal ACWY	MenQuadfi (IM)	
People with new diagnosis risk conditions for IPD* ***12 months to <18 years***	Pneumococcal	Prevenar 20	See AIH# for conditions Single dose Prevenar 20 at diagnosis.
People with new diagnosis risk conditions for IPD* ***18 years and older***	Pneumococcal	Prevenar 13 and Pneumovax 23 (IM)	See AIH# for conditions recommended to receive Prevenar 13 and Pneumovax 23
All people with asplenia, hyposplenia, complement deficiency and treatment with eculizumab	Meningococcal ACWY	Nimenrix (IM)	See AIH# for required doses and timing. Additional groups are recommended but may not be funded under NIP
	Meningococcal B	Bexsero (IM)	
>5 years with asplenia or hyposplenia	Haemophilus Influenzae type b (HiB)	Act-HIB (IM)	If incompletely vaccinated or not vaccinated in childhood
People 18 years and over considered at increased risk of herpes zoster due to an underlying condition and/or immunomodulatory/immunosuppressive treatments	Shingles (Herpes Zoster)	Shingrix (IM)	See AIH# for required doses and timing See Further Information section for shingles vaccination eligibility
People < 20 years of age	Age-appropriate vaccine catch-up	As supplied	Refugees and humanitarian entrants of any age are eligible for free catch-up vaccines
Pregnant	Influenza†	As supplied	Influenza†: Any trimester
	Pertussis (whooping cough)	Adacel or Boostrix (IM)	Pertussis: Each pregnancy between 20-32 weeks gestation
	Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	Abrysvo (IM)	RSV: 28-36 weeks gestation
Aboriginal‡ ≥50 years	Pneumococcal	Prevenar 13 then Pneumovax 23 (IM)	See AIH# for required doses and timing
	Shingles (Herpes Zoster)	Shingrix (IM)	

≥ 65 years	Influenza†	As supplied	Administer annually
≥ 65 years	Shingles (Herpes Zoster)	Shingrix (IM)	See AIH# for required doses and timing
From 70 years	Pneumococcal	Prevenar 13 (IM)	

- The National Immunisation Program (NIP) provides the above routine vaccinations free to infants, children, adolescents and adults who have, or are eligible for Medicare benefits.
- People less than 20 years of age are eligible for NIP vaccines missed in childhood, except for HPV which is available free up to and including age 25.
- The number and range of vaccines and doses that are eligible for NIP funded catch-up is different for people aged less than 10 years and those aged 10–19.
- All refugees and humanitarian entrants of any age are eligible for the following vaccines if they were missed: diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis, chickenpox, poliomyelitis, measles-mumps-rubella and hepatitis B as well as HPV (up to and including age 25). Refer to the Immunisation Handbook for timing of doses.

Victorian Government funded immunisation program

The below vaccines and immunisation products are funded by the Victorian Government. See Immunisation schedule Victoria and vaccine eligibility criteria online for further information.

Disease	Vaccine	Age/at risk conditions
Tuberculosis (BCG)	As supplied (ID)	• BCG for infants and children under 5 years of age travelling to TB endemic countries. See AIH# for BCG dosing and vaccination procedures.
Measles-mumps-rubella	As supplied (IM/SC)	• Infants from 6 months and before 11 months of age prior to overseas travel. This dose is in addition to the scheduled MMR vaccine doses recommended at ages 12 (MMR) and 18 months (MMRV) • Women planning pregnancy or after delivery • People born during or since 1966 without 2 valid doses.
Age-appropriate vaccine catch-up	As supplied	• Vulnerable citizens – a person who has experienced socioeconomic disadvantage that compromised their equitable access to the vaccine during their period of eligibility. See Immunisation schedule Victoria and vaccine eligibility criteria online for more information
Hepatitis B	As supplied (paediatric or adult) (IM)	• Eligible people at risk - see Immunisation schedule Victoria and vaccine eligibility criteria online for more information
Rabies	As supplied	• Australian volunteer wildlife handlers working in a volunteer service in Victoria for the initial course of pre-exposure rabies vaccine • Post exposure treatment for rabies or Australian Bat Lyssavirus • See Immunisation schedule Victoria and vaccine eligibility criteria online for more information
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	**Immunisation product -** Monoclonal antibody Beyfortus™ (nirsevimab) (IM)	• Available during Victoria's RSV season - April to September • For more information see RSV immunisation and the #AIH RSV section for risk conditions for RSV disease

***IPD**: Invasive pneumococcal disease. **#AIH**: Online Australian Immunisation Handbook. **†Influenza**: For information on age-appropriate vaccines or specified medical risk conditions refer to the AIH# or the annual ATAGI advice on seasonal Influenza vaccines. **‡Aboriginal**: The term Aboriginal is inclusive of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people.*

Further information

The Australian Immunisation Handbook: https://immunisationhandbook.health.gov.au

Immunisation schedule Victoria and vaccine eligibility criteria: https://www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation/immunisation-schedule-victoria-and-vaccine-eligibility-criteria

Shingles vaccination: https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/national-immunisation-program-shingles-vaccination-program-advice-for-health-professionals-september-2024?language=en

RSV immunisation: https://www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation/respiratory-syncytial-virus-immunisation

Ordering vaccines: https://www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation/ordering-vaccines

Cold chain management: https://www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation/cold-chain-management

Australian Immunisation Register: 1800 653 809

SAEFVIC – Victoria's vaccine safety service: 1300 882 924 #1

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