

FREE INFLUENZA VACCINE IS AVAILABLE FOR THE FOLLOWING GROUPS

- All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 6 months and older
- Pregnant women (during any stage of pregnancy)
- All children aged 6 months to less than 5 years of age
- People with eligible medical conditions (see table below)
- All people aged 65 years and older

2022 INFLUENZA VACCINES

AGE GROUP	Fluarix Tetra 0.5mL (GSK)	Vaxigrip Tetra 0.5mL (Sanofi)	Afluria Quad 0.5mL (Seqirus)	Flud Quad 0.5mL (Seqirus)	Comments
6 MONTHS TO LESS THAN 5 YEARS	✓	✓			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Influenza vaccines are not recommended for infants less than 6 months of age.
5 YEARS TO LESS THAN 65 YEARS	✓	✓	✓		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children aged 6 months to less than 9 years receiving the influenza vaccine for the first time require two doses at least 4 weeks apart.
65 YEARS AND OLDER				✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Influenza vaccines can be co-administered with all vaccines (including COVID-19 vaccines)

ELIGIBLE MEDICAL CONDITIONS

Cardiac Disease <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyanotic congenital heart disease • Congestive heart failure • Coronary artery disease 	Chronic Respiratory Conditions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bronchiectasis • Cystic fibrosis • Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease • Chronic emphysema • Severe asthma • Suppurative lung disease 	Chronic Neurological Conditions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hereditary and degenerative central nervous system diseases (including multiple sclerosis) • Spinal cord injuries • Seizure disorders • Neuromuscular disorders 	Other at Risk Conditions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immunocompromised due to disease or treatment (e.g. malignancy, transplantation and/or chronic steroid use) • Functional or anatomical asplenia • HIV infection • Diabetes • Chronic metabolic disorders • Chronic renal failure • Haemoglobinopathies • Long-term aspirin therapy in children aged 5 to 10 years
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IMPORTANT: It is mandatory that all vaccination providers report all administered influenza vaccinations to the Australian Immunisation Register.

Refer to:

- The online edition of the Australian Immunisation Handbook (AIH) for advice on persons who are strongly recommended to receive annual influenza vaccination but not eligible for National Immunisation Program (NIP) funded influenza vaccines.
- The ATAGI Statement Advice on the relative timing of administering influenza and COVID-19 vaccines in 2022
<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/covid-19-vaccination-atagi-advice-on-influenza-and-covid-19-vaccines>
- The ATAGI Statement Advice on the administration of seasonal influenza vaccines in 2022
<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/atagi-advice-on-seasonal-influenza-vaccines-in-2022>

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