

NSW School Vaccination Program 2021

All vaccines offered are **FREE** for Year 7 students.



Consent forms will be provided to you in 2021.

Students **cannot** be vaccinated unless a completed and signed consent form **is returned** to the school.

More information is available at:
www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation

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Each year NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) for adolescents as part of the school vaccination program.

Parent Information Kits that include an information sheet, consent form and privacy statement will be sent home to parents/guardians at the beginning of 2021.

In 2021 the following vaccines will be offered FREE to Year 7 students:

- **Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine** in a 2-dose schedule at 0 and 6 months.
- **dTpa vaccine (diphtheria, tetanus & pertussis (whooping cough))** as a single dose.

To consent to the vaccination of their child, parents/guardians are advised to:

- read all the information provided
- complete the consent form, including signing their name next to the vaccine/s they would like their child to receive
- **return the completed consent form to their child's school as soon as possible**

To improve vaccination completion, students will be opportunistically offered any missed doses throughout the year where possible.

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the school Principal or phoning the school.

The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at: www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation.

- **Ensure that your child eats breakfast on the day of the school vaccination clinic.**
- **A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic as a physical card.**
- **School Vaccination Program vaccines are also entered on to the Australian Immunisation Register. Please allow 2-3 days post vaccination for this to occur. You and your child will then be able to access the record via the myGov website. If you are not registered with myGov the link below contains detailed instructions on how to register for myGov access, how to add and view online Medicare Services, including Immunisation History Statements.**

<https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/individuals/online-help/create-mygov-account>