# **Secondary School Immunisation Program**

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### What is the Secondary school immunisation program?

The <u>National Immunisation Program</u> aims to protect the community from vaccine preventable diseases. As part of the program, free vaccines are offered to Year 7 and Year 10 secondary school students.

The following vaccines are recommended for:

Year 7 students - Thursday 29-08-2024

- single dose of human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine
- single booster dose of diphtheria, tetanus, and whooping cough (pertussis) vaccine

#### Year 10 students

single dose of Meningococcal ACWY vaccine

## Key messages for parents/guardians

- Parents/guardians of students in Year 7 and Year 10 should look out for the vaccine and consent information coming home from school with your child.
- Read the vaccine information, complete, and return the signed consent information
- Return the consent information even if you don't want your child to be vaccinated.
- Vaccines given as part of the Secondary school immunisation program are delivered at school by nurse immunisers from the local council immunisation service.
- To learn more about the Secondary school immunisation program in Victoria visit: www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/health/healthyliving/immunisation-in-secondary-schools