

# 2026 Year 7 School Immunisation Program

## Dear Parent/Legal Guardian

Students in Year 7 at school can get free vaccines to protect them from diseases (germs).

Nurses will come to school to give the vaccines.

In Year 7, students can receive 2 vaccines to protect them against:

- **diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough** (dTpa)
- **human papillomavirus** (HPV).

You need to say **YES** on the consent card if you want your child to have them.

If you don't want your child to have any vaccines you need to say **NO** on the consent card.

## If you say YES and want your child to have the vaccines at school:

- write your child's name and your name on the front of the consent card
- fill in both sides of the consent card ticking **YES**
- sign the parent/legal guardian section
- return the consent card to the school.

If you say **YES**, your child will have 2 vaccines:

- the **diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough** (dTpa) vaccine, and
- the **human papillomavirus** (HPV) vaccine.

## If you say NO and don't want your child to have the vaccines at school:

- write your child's name and your name on the front of the consent card
- fill in the back of the consent card ticking **NO**
- sign the parent/legal guardian section
- return the consent card to the school. This is important for SA Health records.

If your child doesn't get the vaccines at school, they can get them from a doctor, your local council, Aboriginal Health Service, or some chemists for free until they are 20 years old. The HPV vaccine is free until they turn 26 years old.

## What happens next?

After your child has had their vaccines at school they will get a piece of paper to bring home. It will have information on the vaccines and what to do if they feel sick after having the vaccines.

These vaccines will be added to your child's immunisation record in Medicare.



### For more information

Immunisation Section  
Communicable Disease Control Branch

[sahealth.sa.gov.au/SIP](https://sahealth.sa.gov.au/SIP)



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