# Seasonal: 2026 Annual Funded Influenza Program

## South Australia Schedule — April 2026

**Funded influenza vaccines should be offered to all those in the following groups:**

- All people aged 6 months and older with medical risk factors (listed below)
- All pregnant women
- All Aboriginal** people aged 6 months and older
- All children aged 6 months to less than 5 years
- All people aged 65 years and older
- All people experiencing homelessness***

**Medical Risk Factors** (refer to the Australian Immunisation Handbook)

| Cardiac Disease | Chronic Respiratory Conditions | Chronic Neurological Conditions | Other Risk Conditions |
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| • Congenital heart disease<br>• Congestive heart failure<br>• Coronary artery disease | • Severe asthma<br>• Cystic fibrosis<br>• Bronchiectasis<br>• Suppurative lung disease<br>• Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease<br>• Chronic emphysema | • Hereditary and degenerative CNS diseases<br>• Seizure disorders<br>• Spinal cord injuries<br>• Neuromuscular disorders<br>• Conditions which impair respiratory or airway function | • Diabetes and other metabolic disorders<br>• Renal disease<br>• Haemoglobinopathies<br>• Immunocompromising conditions due to diseases or treatment, asplenia or splenic dysfunction, HIV infection<br>• Long term aspirin therapy in children aged 6 months to 10 years<br>• Trisomy 21 (Down syndrome) |

** The term Aboriginal is inclusive of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

*** **Adults and children experiencing homelessness and living in:**

- improvised dwellings, tents or sleeping rough
- supported accommodation for the homeless
- boarding houses or other temporary dwellings
- severely crowded dwellings

**IMPORTANT: All vaccine doses administered are to be notified to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR).**

**All funded influenza vaccines in 2026 are trivalent**

| Age Group | FluMist® Intranasal spray 0.1ml per nostril (total 0.2mL) Live attenuated | Vaxigrip® 0.5mL (IM) Inactivated | Flucelvax® 0.5mL (IM) Inactivated | Fluad® 0.5mL (IM) Inactivated adjuvanted | Important information |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 months to less than 2 years | ✗ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | **Two doses 4 weeks apart are required for:**<br>• children aged 6 months to less than 2 years of age receiving influenza vaccine for the first time<br>• children aged 2 years to less than 9 years of age with a medical risk condition (as per the Australian Immunisation Handbook) receiving influenza vaccine for the first time<br>• people being vaccinated in their first year post haematopoietic stem cell transplant, solid organ transplant or CAR-T cell therapy. |
| 2 years to less than 5 years | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | ✗ | |
| 5 years to less than 65 years | ✗ | ✓ | ✓ | ✗ | |
| 65 years and older | ✗ | ✗ | ✗ | ✓ | |

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## For more information

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