

YEAR 10 HOMESTAY STUDENTS: MENINGOCOCCAL ACWY VACCINE

All ACT Year 10 students, including Year 10 homestay students, can receive the free meningococcal ACWY vaccine at school as part of the National Immunisation Program.

The following two options are available:

Option 1 – at school

A year 10 homestay student who would like to receive this vaccine at school can consent for themselves. This involves a nurse assessing if the student is able to fully understand the risks, benefits and side effects of the meningococcal ACWY vaccine prior to written consent being given.

Before the School Health Team visit the school, we encourage both the homestay parent and the student to read through the vaccine information together

- Information about this vaccine is available in different languages via the following link: www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school_vaccination_language.aspx

Option 2 – At the General Practitioner (GP) surgery

A homestay student can have this vaccine at their GP surgery by:

- Phoning and making an appointment
- Advising the surgery at the time of booking that they require the (free) meningococcal ACWY vaccine. This ensures it is available for the appointment.

The vaccination must be completed before the student's 20th birthday for the vaccine to remain free.

If you require further information about the ACT School Immunisation Program, please visit: <https://health.act.gov.au/adolescent-immunisation>

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