
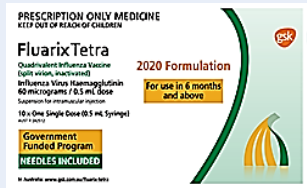





# National Immunisation Program (NIP) funded influenza vaccines

<b>Check your patient's age</b>	<b>Check that you have the correct vaccine</b>	<b>All influenza vaccines are latex free</b>
<b>Children &lt; 9 years of age will need 2 doses at least 4 weeks apart in their first year of vaccination.</b>		
<b>Influenza vaccine can be administered as stock becomes available until the vaccine expires</b>		
Age		Influenza vaccine image
<b>Vaxigrip Tetra®</b>		
<b>6 months to under 5 years</b>	All children aged 6 months to under 5 years, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island children and those with certain medical conditions.	
	<i>Registered for ages 6 months and over.</i>	
<b>Fluarix Tetra®</b>		
<b>5 to 64 years</b>	People aged 5 to 64 years with medical risk factors predisposing them to severe influenza	
	All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people aged 6 months to 64 years	
	Pregnant women	
	<i>Registered for ages 6 months and over.</i>	
<b>FluQuadri®</b>		
<b>5 to 64 years</b>	People aged 5 to 64 years with medical risk factors predisposing them to severe influenza	
	All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people aged 6 months to 64 years	
	Pregnant women	
	<i>Registered for ages 6 months and over.</i>	
<b>Afluria Quad®</b>		
<b>5 to 64 years</b>	People aged 5 to 64 years with medical risk factors predisposing them to severe influenza	
	All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people aged 5 to 64 years	
	Pregnant women	
	<i>Registered for ages 5 years and over.</i>	
<b>Fluad® Quad</b>		
<b>65 years and over (only)</b>	All people 65 years and over	
	Quadrivalent vaccine	
	<i>Registered for ages 65 years and over.</i>	

# Eligibility for National Immunisation Program (NIP) funded influenza vaccines

## National Immunisation Program (NIP) Categories

Age	Comments
<b>Children from 6 months to under 5 years</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children up to 9 years of age who are receiving the influenza vaccine for the first time will require 2 influenza vaccine at least 4 weeks apart.</li> <li>• Children who have received one or more doses of influenza vaccine in previous years will only need one dose.</li> </ul>
<b>All persons aged ≥65 years</b>	None
<b>Pregnant women (during any stage of pregnancy)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Influenza vaccine is recommended in every pregnancy and at any stage of pregnancy.</li> <li>• Influenza vaccine can safely be given at the same time as pertussis vaccine.</li> <li>• For women who received an influenza vaccine in 2019 can be revaccinated when 2020 influenza vaccine becomes available before the end of their pregnancy.</li> <li>• For women who receive an influenza vaccine before becoming pregnant, revaccinate during pregnancy to protect the unborn infant</li> </ul>
<b>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons aged 6 months and over</b>	None
<b>All persons aged &gt;6 months who have certain medical conditions which increase the risk of influenza-related complications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cardiac disease</li> <li>• Chronic respiratory conditions</li> <li>• Chronic neurological conditions which affect breathing</li> <li>• Severe asthma (requiring frequent medical consultations or use of multiple medications)</li> <li>• Immunocompromising conditions</li> <li>• Diabetes</li> <li>• Renal disease</li> <li>• Haematological disorders</li> <li>• Children aged 6 months to 10 years on long term aspirin therapy</li> </ul>

### Timing of vaccination

- The influenza vaccine should be given before Australia's peak influenza months of June to September.
- Optimal protection against influenza occurs within the first 3 to 4 months following vaccination
- Continue offering the influenza vaccine as long as the vaccines are within their expiry date and the influenza virus is circulating.

For further information please contact the Health Protection Service, Immunisation enquiry line on  
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