National Immunisation Program (NIP) funded influenza vaccines 2023

- » Check your patient's age
- » Check that you have the correct vaccine
- » All influenza vaccines are latex free
- » Children < 9 years of age will need 2 doses at least 4 weeks apart in their first year of vaccination
- » Influenza vaccine can be administered as stock becomes available until the vaccine expires

Influenza vaccine image

Age

Vaxigrip Tetra®

6 months to 64 years All children aged 6 months to 5 years of age, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island children and those with certain medical conditions

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

Registered for ages 6 months and over.



Fluarix Tetra®

6 months to 64 years All children aged 6 months to 5 years of age, including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island children and those with certain medical conditions

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

Registered for ages 6 months and over.



Afluria Quad®

5 to 64 years

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

Registered for ages 5 years and over.



Fluad® Quad

65 years and over (only)

All people 65 years and over

Quadrivalent vaccine

Registered for ages 65 years and over



Eligibility for National Immunisation Program funded influenza vaccines 2023

National Immunisation Program (NIP) Categories

Age	Comments
Children from 6 months to under 5 years	» Children up to 9 years of age who are receiving the influenza vaccine for the first time will require 2 influenza vaccines at least 4 weeks apart.
	» Children who have received one or more doses of influenza vaccine in previous years will only need one dose.
All persons aged ≥65 years	None
Pregnant women (during any stage of pregnancy)	» Influenza vaccine is recommended in every pregnancy and at any stage of pregnancy.
	» Influenza vaccine can safely be given at the same time as pertussis vaccine.
	» Women who received an influenza vaccine in 2022 can be revaccinated when 2023 influenza vaccine becomes available before the end of their pregnancy.
	» For women who receive an influenza vaccine before becoming pregnant, revaccinate during pregnancy to protect the unborn infant.
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons aged 6 months and over	None
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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.
- » Influenza vaccines can be co-administered (on the same day) with COVID-19 vaccines.

Influenza vaccines and vaccination schedule can be viewed at health.act.gov.au/services/ immunisationProtection Service

For further information please contact the Health Protection Service

Immunisation enquiry line on 51249800

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