

Year 7 vaccinations

Free vaccines for all Year 7 students



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

Dear Parent/Guardian

Teams of specially trained registered nurses will be visiting your child's school during Year 7 to offer **free** vaccinations against four serious preventable diseases.

Vaccines offered are:

Gardasil9 - Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine (1 dose)

Boostrix - Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (whooping cough) (dTpa) vaccine (1 dose)

What do you need to do?

- ✓ Look for School Immunisation information from your school at the start of 1st Term.
- ✓ This information will contain a URL providing access to the Year 7 Parent Information Kit and online consent form.
- ✓ Read ALL the information included in the online Kit.
- ✓ **Ensure ALL fields are completed on the consent form, and consent is ticked for each vaccine you would like your child to receive.**
- ✓ If your child does not have a Medicare number, please speak with the school to discuss how to provide consent.

On the day of the vaccination clinic:

- ✓ ensure your child has eaten breakfast the morning of the clinic
- ✓ ensure your child is wearing clothing that enables the upper arm to be exposed

You will receive an SMS or email when the vaccines have been administered.

What if your child misses a vaccine?

You won't need to do anything. Every effort will be made to offer missed vaccines at other clinics at your child's school during the year or the following year when they are in year 8.

NOTE: If you experience difficulty accessing the online consent package, please speak with the vaccination coordinator at your school.

More questions?

Please contact Hunter New England Local Health District Immunisation Unit on 49246477 or hnelhd-pophealthschoolvax@health.nsw.gov.au
or visit

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/schoolvaccination.aspx>

