

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 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 can fully understand the risks, benefits and side effects and is actively seeking the Meningococcal ACWY vaccine prior to written consent being given.

Before the Child and Adolescent Immunisation 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:
https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school_vaccination_language.aspx

Option 2 – At the General Practitioner (GP) or participating pharmacy.

- ✓ Make an appointment with a GP or participating pharmacy to receive this vaccine.
- ✓ Tell the GP or pharmacy what vaccine you need at the time of booking your appointment. This ensures the vaccines can be ordered and ready for you.

Please note:

- The vaccine must be completed before your 20th birthday for it to remain **FREE**.
- You **DO NOT** require a prescription; however, you may be charged a consultation fee by your GP or pharmacy.

If you require further information about the ACT High School Immunisation Program, please visit:

<https://www.canberrahealthservices.act.gov.au/services-and-clinics/services/high-school-immunisation-program>



Acknowledgement of Country

Canberra Health Services acknowledges the Ngunnawal people as traditional custodians of the ACT and recognises any other people or families with connection to the lands of the ACT and region. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and contribution to the life of this region.

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