
VillageVax- Independent Living Unit Vaccination Project 2025

Dear Survey Participant,

You are invited to take part in a survey to improve the vaccination rates of residents living in Independent Living Unit (ILU) villages in the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District (SESLHD). The SESLHD Public Health Unit is leading the project.

You have been asked to participate because you are a vaccination provider who may be interested in providing services in ILU villages.

If you agree to take part in the survey, you will be asked to complete an online survey. This should take up to 15 minutes and will involve answering questions about your vaccination services, access to vaccinations, storage and reporting, your perceptions of the enablers and barriers to vaccination in this cohort and engagement with ILU villages.

Upon completion of the survey, we may contact you to clarify your responses and/or provide your contact information to ILU village staff, if you have indicated that you would like us to do that.

Participation in this survey is entirely voluntary. You may decline to answer any questions or withdraw from the survey at any time without giving a reason.

The information you provide will be used to develop resources aimed at supporting ILU village staff in facilitating vaccination efforts for their residents. Your survey responses will be stored in a secure database, accessible only to members of the project team.

At the conclusion of the project, a report will be prepared outlining the key findings from stakeholders involved – including ILU village staff, residents, and vaccination providers – along with recommended actions and resources to improve vaccination rates. This report will not include any identifying information about individuals or ILU villages. An executive summary will be shared with all participating ILU villages and residents who take part in the project. Additionally, the findings may be published in scientific journals or presented at conferences to contribute to broader public health knowledge. Any published material will not contain identifying information.

If you would like further information about the project, please contact Courtney McGregor at the Public Health Unit on 02 9382 8333 or email courtney.mcgregor1@health.nsw.gov.au.

Who should I contact if I have concerns about the conduct of this study?

This study has been approved by the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District Human Research Ethics Committee. Any person with concerns or complaints about the conduct of this study should contact the Research Support Office which is nominated to receive complaints from research participants. You should contact them on (02) 8797 7605, or email SESLHD-RSO@health.nsw.gov.au and quote 2025/ETH02074.

Yours sincerely

Courtney McGregor

Project Manager

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