

HPV vaccination changes

Information for all Immunisation Providers:

1. From February 2023, one-dose of any human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination will be required to be considered fully vaccinated
2. The move to a single dose schedule means that a second dose is not required for your patients who have received one dose of the vaccine

One dose HPV vaccine in 2023

In 2023 the National Immunisation Program will adopt a one-dose HPV vaccination schedule following endorsement by the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee (PBAC)

Exceptions to one dose HPV schedule

Individuals with significant immunocompromise are still recommended to have a 3-dose schedule at 0, 2 and 6 months.

Catch-up vaccination extended up to 25 years

Providers can offer a free single dose of Gardasil9 HPV vaccine to people up to 25 years of age years under the [Australian Government free catch-up program](#)

Evidence supporting change to HPV vaccine schedule

The latest international evidence indicates that one dose of any HPV vaccine provides comparable efficacy to a two-dose regime. Based on this evidence, a one-dose HPV schedule has been recommended by the World Health Organization (WHO), the UK's Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation in 2022, and this has now been adopted in Australia.

The move to a single dose schedule means that any person who has received one dose of HPV vaccine is now considered fully vaccinated and **does not require a second dose.**

The NHMRC's *Australian Immunisation Handbook* has been updated to reflect the adoption of the single -dose HPV schedule in Australia.

More information

- [Information on the Commonwealth recommendations](#)
- [Information on NSW School Vaccination Program](#)
- Contact your local public health unit on **1300 066 055**