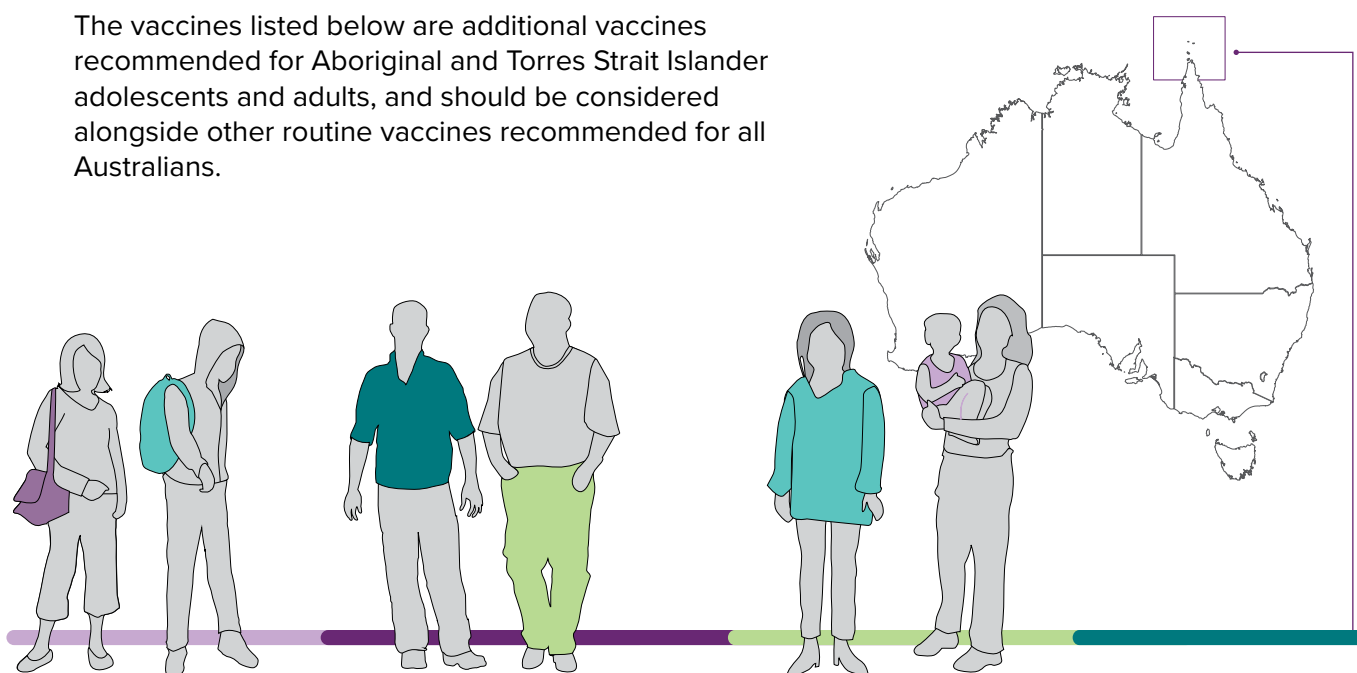




Vaccination for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adolescents and adults

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are recommended to receive extra vaccines. Some are free through the National Immunisation Program. These extra vaccines help protect against serious diseases.

The vaccines listed below are additional vaccines recommended for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adolescents and adults, and should be considered alongside other routine vaccines recommended for all Australians.



15–18 years

- ▶ Seasonal influenza every year ☒

Adults

- ▶ Hepatitis B if non-immune and non-vaccinated
- ▶ Seasonal influenza every year ☒
- ▶ Pneumococcal vaccine – 1 dose of 13vPPV* at ≥50 years of age, 1 dose of 23vPPV 12 months after 13vPPV and a second dose at least 5 years later ☒
- ▶ Zoster at ≥50 years of age – 2 doses, 2–6 months apart ☒
- ▶ RSV vaccine – 1 dose at ≥60 years of age

Non-pregnant women of child-bearing age

- ▶ Measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) if seronegative for rubella

Residents of the Torres Strait

- ▶ Japanese encephalitis for those living in the outer Torres Strait islands

☒ = vaccine funded under the National Immunisation Program

*15vPCV and 20vPCV are available as alternatives to 13vPCV, but are not currently NIP-funded for adults.