



# Meningococcal vaccination for children and adolescents without risk factors

Meningococcal disease is a rare but serious disease that can cause significant illness, disability and death. Meningococcal vaccination for certain groups of people is funded under the National Immunisation Program and by states and territories.



## No single vaccine protects against all serogroups

3 vaccines protect against serogroups A, C, W and Y

**MenACWY** vaccines

1 vaccine protects against serogroup B only

**MenB** vaccine

## Recommended vaccines

The number of doses depends on the vaccine brand and the person's age when they start the vaccination course.

	6 weeks – 23 months	2–4 years	5–14 years	15–19 years
<b>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ MenB ✓</li><li>▶ MenACWY (single dose at age 12 months ✓)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ MenB</li><li>▶ MenACWY</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ MenB</li><li>▶ MenACWY</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ MenB</li><li>▶ MenACWY ✓</li></ul>
<b>Non-Indigenous people</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ MenB</li><li>▶ MenACWY (single dose at age 12 months ✓)</li></ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▶ MenB</li><li>▶ MenACWY ✓</li></ul>

See the Australian Immunisation Handbook for more details

Healthy children and adolescents do not need booster doses unless they are in certain special risk groups.

✓ = vaccine funded under the National Immunisation Program