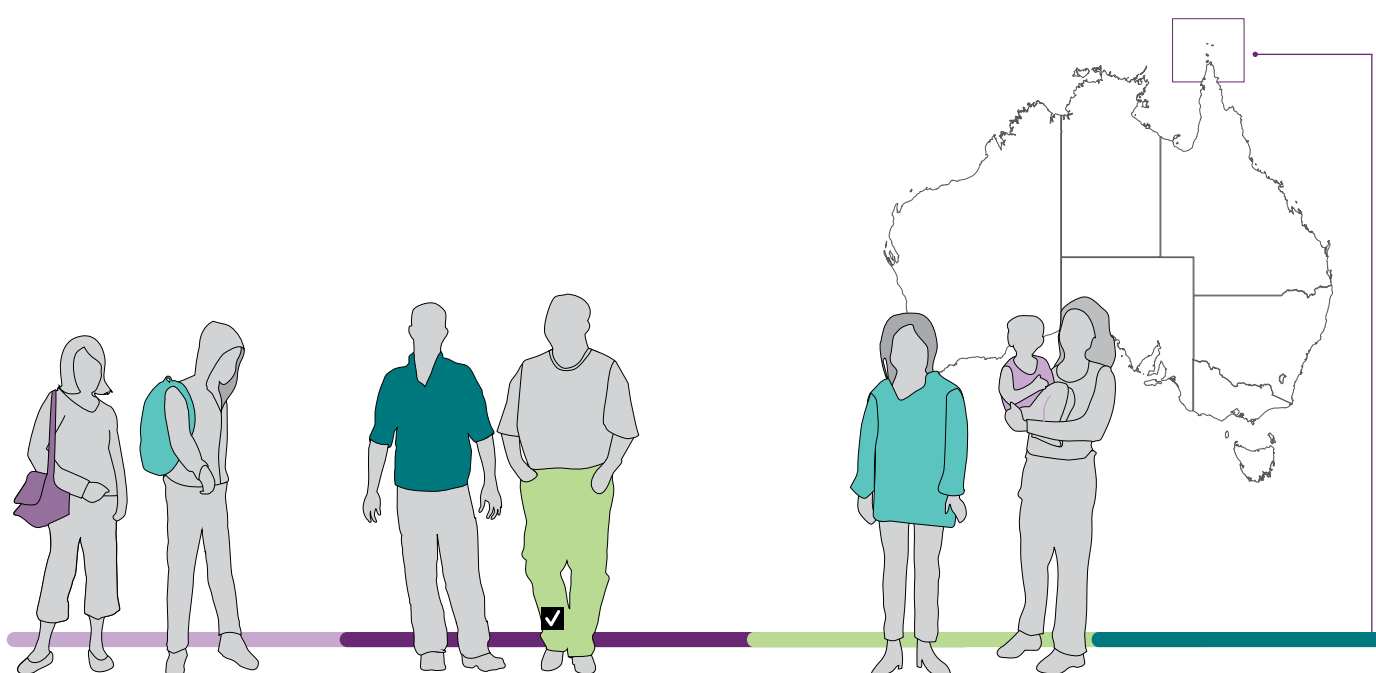




Vaccination for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander adolescents and adults

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are recommended to receive certain vaccines to provide appropriate protection against severe disease. These should be considered alongside other routine vaccines recommended for all Australians. Some are free through the National Immunisation Program.



15–18 years

- ▶ Seasonal influenza every year ✓

Adults

- ▶ Hepatitis B if non-immune and non-vaccinated
- ▶ Seasonal influenza every year ✓
- ▶ Pneumococcal – 1 dose of 21vPCV at ≥25 years of age ✓
- ▶ Zoster at ≥50 years – 2 doses, 2–6 months apart ✓
- ▶ RSV – 1 dose at ≥60 years ✓
- ▶ COVID-19 at 50–74 years – 1 dose every year ✓; those with medical risk conditions can consider a second annual dose
- ▶ COVID-19 at ≥75 years of age – 2 doses, at least 6 months apart ✓

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