

Pre-vaccination screening checklist

This checklist helps your doctor/nurse decide about vaccinating you or your child.
Please tell your doctor / nurse if the person about to be vaccinated:

- is unwell today;
- has a disease which lowers immunity (eg. leukaemia, cancer, HIV/AIDS) or is having treatment which lowers immunity (eg. oral steroid medicines such as cortisone and prednisone, radiotherapy, chemotherapy);
- has had a severe reaction following any vaccine;
- has *any* severe allergies (to anything);
- has had any vaccine in the past month;
- has had an injection of immunoglobulin, or received any blood products or a whole blood transfusion within the past year;
- is pregnant;
- has a past history of Guillian-Barré syndrome
- was a preterm infant
- has a chronic illness
- has a bleeding disorder

A different vaccine schedule may be recommended if the person to be vaccinated:

- identifies as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person
- does not have a functioning spleen
- is planning a pregnancy or anticipating parenthood
- is a parent, grandparent or carer of a newborn
- lives with someone who has a disease which lowers immunity (eg. leukaemia, cancer, HIV/AIDS) or lives with someone who is having treatment which lowers immunity (e.g. oral steroid medicines such as cortisone and prednisone, radiotherapy, chemotherapy)

Note: Please ask your doctor / nurse questions about this information or any other matter relating to vaccination before the vaccines are given.

Before any vaccination takes place, the immunisation provider will ask you:

- Did you understand the information provided to you about immunisation?
- Do you need more information to decide whether to proceed?
- Did you bring your/your child's vaccination card with you?

It is important for you to receive a personal record of you or your child's injections. If you don't have a record, ask your immunisation service provider to give you one. Bring this record with you every time you or your child visit for vaccination. Make sure your doctor / nurse records all vaccinations on it. Your child may need this card to enter childcare, preschool or school.