

Immunisation Provider Information

HPV vaccine schedule change

From 1 January 2018 the National Immunisation Program will commence a two dose Gardasil[®] 9 vaccine schedule which will replace the 3 dose Gardasil[®] vaccine schedule.

2 dose Gardasil[®] 9 vaccine schedule

All students in Year 8 commencing a vaccine schedule from 1 January 2018 are to be offered Gardasil[®] 9 vaccine. Two doses should be administered six to 12 months apart.

Gardasil[®] 9 includes the vaccine types covered by Gardasil[®] plus five additional Human papillomavirus (HPV) types, extending the protection against disease from HPV.

Previous doses of Gardasil[®] vaccine

These recommendations recognise that some teenagers may have commenced a three dose course of Gardasil[®] vaccine but not completed their course. Gardasil[®] 9 can be safely and effectively used to complete a schedule started with Gardasil[®].

Re-vaccination with Gardasil[®] 9 is not routinely recommended for those who have already completed a three dose schedule of HPV vaccine.

Recommendations for those who have received one or more doses of Gardasil[®] vaccine

Number of Gardasil [®] doses previously received	Recommended Gardasil [®] 9 doses
1 dose	1 dose at least 6 months after previous dose
2 doses with <6months between doses	1 dose at least 6 months after previous dose
2 doses with >6months between doses	No further doses required
3 doses*	No further doses required

*if minimum intervals between doses have been met

Age limitations for Gardasil[®] 9 schedule

- Aged <15 years - 2 doses, with a minimum interval of 6 months between doses
- Aged >15 years - 3 doses administered at 0, 2 and 6 months

For more information

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