

What vaccines and/or serology do I need?

Summary of Requirements for Students/Category A Workers

dTpa	1 adult dose in last 10 years (vaccine must contain diphtheria, tetanus & pertussis) <small>N.B: Medical Contraindication <i>may</i> be accepted (subject to further assessment)</small>
Hepatitis B	Age-appropriate course (at acceptable intervals) - usually 3 doses (For adolescents between 11-15 years - 2 adult doses given 4-6 months apart is acceptable) AND Anti-HBs (surface antibodies) of 10 IU/ml or more * Must check serology prior to submitting documents for assessment if has evidence of infant or adolescent vaccination course as further dose/s are sometimes required OR positive Anti-HBc (indicating past Hepatitis infection)
MMR	2 doses minimum 4 weeks (28 days) apart OR positive serology for all 3 diseases (Rubella must be shown as a numerical value AND include the immunity status i.e. Immune/ Positive/Negative) OR birthdate before 1966 <small>N.B: Medical Contraindication <i>may</i> be accepted (subject to further assessment)</small>
Varicella	2 doses Varicella (Shingrix not accepted) minimum 4 weeks (28 days) apart OR 1 dose if given before age 14 OR 1 dose of Zostavax if given at age over 50 OR serology indicating immunity - must be documented as Positive or Detected (if written as a numerical value- immunity status must be provided i.e. immune/positive/detected) *History of Chicken Pox is not acceptable as evidence <small>N.B: Medical Contraindication <i>may</i> be accepted (subject to further assessment)</small>
TB	Negative IGRA / TST* if born in, lived in or visited high-risk TB countries totalling 3 months or more *TST must have been performed & read at a NSW Health Chest Clinic <u>Note:</u> Assessment of the TB Assessment Tool by NSW Health is required and depending on responses - further screening or clinical review by NSW TB Service <i>may</i> be required
Influenza	Annual influenza vaccination is required for all Students/Category A workers between 1 June and 30 September each year. Students/Workers must receive the current seasons southern hemisphere influenza vaccine registered for use by the TGA by 1st June each year <small>N.B: Medical Contraindication or declination (see 6.1 of PD2024_015) <i>may</i> be accepted (subject to further assessment)</small>

Further information: Frequently Asked Questions - Occupational Assessment Screening and Vaccination

Reference: Occupational Assessment, Screening and Vaccination Against Specified Infectious Diseases PD2024_015 (Published 16/05/2024)

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