No jab no play

Victoria's new No Jab No Play laws mean parents or guardians seeking to enroll children in an early childhood service must provide evidence of their child's immunisation. This applies to day care, kindergarten, occasional care and family day care.

No jab no pay

Similar to the No Jab No Play laws, the No Jab No Pay rules mean only parents of children (under 20 years of age) who are fully immunised or on an immunisation catch-up schedule will receive family assistance payments.

Obtaining an immunisation history statement

To obtain information about your child's immunisation please contact the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) on 1800 653 809. There is also a free smart phone app available to remind parents when vaccinations are due (MCH App).

Enrolling in school

Children enrolling in school must have an Immunisation History Statement issued by the AIR.

Council immunisation sessions provide all <u>scheduled</u> vaccines free for:

- Babies, infants and young children
- Secondary school children
- Individuals under 20 years of age
- Pregnant women
- Medically at risk and other vulnerable individuals.

Colac Otway Shire Immunisation Team provides:

- Free immunisation
- No appointment is necessary
- Available after school for secondary school catchup
- Experienced nurse immunisers who can discuss any parental questions
- Next day upload to the Australian Immunisation Register to ensure continuity of benefit payments and issue of school enrolment certificates.

What to bring

Please bring your Medicare card and your child's health record book.

School immunisation

School children can attend any council session if they:

- Do not wish to be vaccinated at school
- Were absent when school vaccinations occurred
- Did not return the immunisation consent card to school.

Flu vaccinations

Children aged from 6 months to less than 5 years and individuals aged 65 and over are eligible for free influenza vaccine. Council provides an annual influenza program for agencies within the shire. For more information, including costs associated with the program, contact the Council's Health Protection Team.

Maternal & Child Health Appointments

Opportunistic immunisations are available for families attending health and development checks at M&CH appointments in Colac and Apollo Bay who have difficulty accessing other immunisation sessions. For more information or to make an appointment call Council's M&CH Nurse on 03 5232 9570.



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Immunisation Program 2023/2024



A simple, safe and effective way of protecting children against certain diseases.

Colac Otway Shire 2023/2024 Immunisation Program Timetable

MONTH	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
July 2023	Thursday 6 th Monday 17 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC*
August 2023	Thursday 3 th Monday 21 st	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC
September 2023	Thursday 17 th Monday 18 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC
October 2023	Thursday 5 th Monday 16 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC
November 2023	Thursday 2 nd Monday 20 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC
December 2023	Thursday 7 th Monday 18 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC

MONTH	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
January 2024	Thursday 4 th Monday 15 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC
February 2024	Thursday 1 st Monday 19 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC
March 2024	Thursday 7 th Monday 18 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC
April 2024	Thursday 4 th Monday 15 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC
May 2024	Thursday 2 nd Monday 20 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC
June 2024	Thursday 6 th Monday 17 th	10.00-11.30am 2.30-4.30pm	COPACC

^{*}COPACC (Colac Otway Performing Arts & Cultural Centre) located at 95-97 Gellibrand St, COLAC VIC 3250. Sessions are held in the COPACC meeting room (entry via the main entrance).

NO APPOINTMENT NECCESARRY

Important note: Following vaccination, a 15 minute observation period is required.

Additional information regarding immunisation is available on the websites listed below or by contacting your Maternal & Child Health Centre or Council's Health Protection Unit.

www.colacotway.vic.gov.au www.health.vic.gov.au/immunisation www.immunise.health.gov.au www.humanservices.gov.au

National Immunisation Program Schedule:

Key ages for Childhood Immunisation

Birth
2 months
4 months
6 months
12 months
18 months
4 years



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