

APPENDIX 9: DATES WHEN VACCINES BECAME AVAILABLE IN AUSTRALIA

Public sector		Vaccine
Australia	Exceptions	
1945-46		Tetanus toxoid
1953		DTPw (diphtheria/tetanus/pertussis whole cell)
1956 May		Poliomyelitis (SALK)
1966 Sep		Poliomyelitis (OPV) (oral Sabin)
1969		Measles
1971 Feb		Rubella (adolescent girls)
1975		CDT (child diphtheria/tetanus)
1981 Jul		Mumps
1982		ADT (adult diphtheria/tetanus)
1983		Measles/Mumps
1986		CDT-DTP 4th dose introduced (1 st pertussis booster)
1987 Nov	NT 1988 Jan SA 1996	Hepatitis B (for at-risk infants)
1989	SA 1996	MMR (infant dose)
1992 May		Hib (for children 18 months to 5 years of age)
1993 Apr		Hib (all infants born from Feb 1993)
1993 Jul		Hepatitis A (Havrix) (unfunded)
1994		MMR (males and females in Grade 6)
1995		CDT-DTP 5th dose introduced (2 nd pertussis booster)
1997 Oct	Tas 1997 Oct Qld 1997 Dec	DTP acellular (Infanrix) boosters for infants aged 18 months and 4–5 years to replace DTP 4 th and 5 th doses
1997		Influenza (program for over 65s)
1998 Jan	Qld 1998 Mar Tas 1998 Mar NT 1998 Apr NSW 1999 SA 1999	Hepatitis B (adolescent dose)
1998		MMR (Primary School program)
1998		MMR/OPV 4-year-old booster (DTP, MMR, OPV) program before commencing school

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1998		Pneumococcal polysaccharide 23-valent vaccine (over 65s) (unfunded)
1999 Feb	NT 1997 Aug SA 1997 Aug Qld 1999 Apr	DTPa (Infanrix) for infants aged 2, 4 and 6 months
1999		MMR (18–30-year-old program)
2000		COMVAX (Hep B/Hib) available
2000		Adult diphtheria/tetanus 10-yearly boosters ceased
2000 May	NT 1990 Aug	Hepatitis B (universal infant dose)
2000		Hepatitis B booster doses no longer recommended
2001		Pneumococcal conjugate 7-valent vaccine (for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and all children in Central Australia only)
2001 Dec		Meningococcal C conjugate vaccine (Meningitec) (unfunded)
2001		Varicella (chickenpox) (unfunded)
2001		HibTITER vaccine ceased
2002 Aug		Meningococcal C conjugate vaccine (NeisVac-C) (unfunded)
2002 Oct		Meningococcal C conjugate vaccine (Menjugate) (unfunded)
2003 Sep		DTPa 4 th dose at 18 months of age ceased
2003 Jan		Meningococcal C conjugate vaccine (at 12 months of age and catch-up until May 2007 for 1–19-year-olds)
2003 Sep		Pneumococcal conjugate 7-valent vaccine (for children with medical risks <5 years of age)
2004 Jan		dTpa (Boostrix) for 15–17 years (Year 10 school program) replaced ADT
2004 Sep		Combination vaccines with 4, 5 and 6 antigens available
2005 Jan		Pneumococcal conjugate 7-valent vaccine (for infants aged 2, 4 and 6 months and medical at-risk children plus catch-up in 2005 for children born between 1 January 2003 and 31 December 2004)
2005 Jan		Pneumococcal polysaccharide 23-valent vaccine (funded for adults aged >65 years)
2005 Nov		Inactivated polio (IPV) vaccine (given in combination with DTPa scheduled at 2, 4 and 6 months and 4 years in place of OPV)

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2005 Nov		Hepatitis A vaccine (for all Indigenous children aged ≤5 years living in Queensland, the Northern Territory, Western Australia and South Australia)
2005 Nov		Varicella vaccine scheduled at 18 months and 13 years of age
2007 Apr		Human papillomavirus vaccine (for girls aged 12–13 years plus a 2-year catch-up period to end of June 2009 for girls aged 14–26 years)
2007 May	NT 2006 Oct	Rotavirus vaccine (for all children born from 1 May 2007)