



**Immunisation Course  
for Health Professionals**

COURSE INFORMATION

## Course snapshot

<b>COURSE TITLE</b>	<b>Immunisation Course for Health Professionals</b>
<b>VALUE FOR ORGANISATIONS</b>	The course is designed to meet all the essential elements of the National Immunisation Education Framework for Health Professionals and delivers nationally consistent, high quality learning outcomes for health professionals. The course offers students the opportunity to learn from our expert team of trainers and assessors both online and in the classroom.
<b>COST</b>	\$850 (Inc. GST) to complete entire course.
<b>DELIVERY</b>	<p>Online learning plus a one-day virtual or face-to-face workshop</p> <p>Each e-learning unit may have a blend of formative quizzes, journal self-reflections, written questions, and evidence document uploads. You must complete all assessments to proceed with the course.</p> <p>Each workshop day is facilitated and assessed by a highly experienced immunisation provider and qualified trainer/ assessor.</p> <p>The course's delivery and assessment include all required resources, including an immunisation practical skills training kit.</p>
<b>ASSESSMENT</b>	<p>To achieve the Certificate of Completion, students must demonstrate successfully the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Written questions and quizzes covering essential knowledge and skills</li><li>• Simulated scenarios based on vaccine encounters</li><li>• Observed workshop skills practice with practical simulations and oral questioning.</li></ul> <p>Tasmanian students are required to do an additional workplace activity of ten immunisations. This workplace activity is not organised or managed by Benchmark Group. You must apply to the Tasmanian Health Department to become an Authorised Immuniser (AI) in Tasmania. <b><u><i>Nurse Immuniser Authorisation, Practicum Guide &amp; Skills Assessment Record</i></u></b></p>
<b>ESTIMATED HOURS OF STUDY</b>	70 hours of active learning.
<b>ENTRY REQUIREMENTS</b>	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Practitioners, Registered Nurses, Registered Midwives, Enrolled Nurses, Pharmacists, Paramedics & General Practitioners can apply.
<b>TERMS AND CONDITIONS</b>	<p><a href="http://benchmarkgroup.com.au/terms-and-conditions">Visit benchmarkgroup.com.au/terms-and-conditions</a> <a href="#">View Student Handbook</a></p>

## Course summary

The Immunisation Course for Healthcare Professionals has been designed for professionals who can practice as approved immunisation providers. The learning aligns with the national legislative requirements while still allowing students to explore the specific elements of the state or territory they work in.

The Immunisation Course for Health Professionals is based on the National Immunisation Education Framework for Health Professionals. It has been accredited by Health Education Services Australia (HESA).



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This nationally accredited course is for AHPRA-registered healthcare professionals who can practice as approved immuniser providers.

The refreshed course has also been endorsed by NAATSIHWP for 70 CPD hours.



## Course content

The Immunisation Course for Health Professionals recognises a growing number of AHPRA-registered health professionals play a significant role in maintaining high immunisation coverage rates by providing accurate and comprehensive information about vaccines and immunisation programs.

The course provides students with comprehensive knowledge of relevant legislation, standards, and codes of practice regarding the administration of vaccines.

This promotes consistency across states and territories among qualified health professionals involved in the implementation and application of immunisation procedures.

Students will study and complete each e-learning unit, building progressively towards completing the course with the practical workshop training day.

Core learning units:

- **Unit 1** - Source immunisation information in primary healthcare
- **Unit 2** - Examine and apply guidance on administrative processes for immunisation services
- **Unit 3** - Prepare for immunisation encounter
- **Unit 4** - Determine and communicate immunisation needs for priority populations
- **Unit 5** - Source and communicate immunisation legislation in primary healthcare
- **Unit 6** - Plan and perform immunisation Workshop (Virtual or Face-to-Face)

## How to apply

We strongly encourage applications from Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander health care professionals to complete this course. If you are an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person we encourage you to let us know in your application. If you require assistance with completing your application or support during the course please don't hesitate to let us know.

## About accessIQ

We are paving the way for innovative and easy online learning through our bespoke online course and assessment platform, accessIQ.

- Study anywhere, anytime
- Edit saved answers, review before submitting
- Live student console – tracks assessment, enrollments and waitlists
- Access statement of results and resource library.

# Learning outcomes

## Unit 1. Immunisation Practices in the Australian Healthcare Context:

- Understand the impact of immunisation programs as a public health measure, including the risks and benefits of an immunisation program.
- Describe the National Immunisation Program and the role of key stakeholders.
- Define knowledge of the vaccine types and their components, expand on the immune response and how vaccines work, and outline the key features of vaccine-preventable diseases.
- Address immunisation misperceptions and/or barriers with clients expressing hesitancy to vaccinate.

## Unit 2. Identify and examine administrative processes to deliver immunisation services:

- Review the national guidelines for cold chain management.
- Interpret national and state legislation regarding workplace vaccine management.
- Examine a Vaccine Management Protocol and conduct a fridge audit.
- Identify the actions required in the event of a cold chain breach.
- Accessing the Australian Immunisation Register Learning Modules.

## Unit 3. Prepare for an immunisation encounter:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the National Immunisation Program
- Determine vaccine recommendations for children, adolescents, and adults who are medically at risk.
- Identify additional vaccines recommended but not funded by the NIP.
- Outline the legal requirements relating to valid and informed consent.
- Prepare for an immunisation encounter.
- Management and reporting of adverse events following immunisation.

## Unit 4. Determine and communicate immunisation needs for priority populations:

- Identify unique and specific needs for priority groups,

- Address and discuss vaccine misperceptions with clients expressing hesitancy to vaccinate.
- Determine and be able to access reputable immunisation resources suitable for either clients or other Health Professionals.

## Unit 5. Source and communicate immunisation legislation in primary healthcare:

- Identify the National, State or Territory Legislative Act relevant to the immunisation practice
- Determine key ethical issues affecting immunisation practices
- Examine professional standards and codes of conduct
- Review key content in legislation, standards and codes for the administration of vaccines
- Compare State or Territory legislation relating to immunisation provider authorisation/endorsement

## Unit 6. Plan and perform immunisation, including seven hours of face-to-face or virtual learning:

- Determine the National Immunisation Program Schedule
- Source information from the Catch-up chapter in the Australian Immunisation Handbook
- Develop immunisation catch-up schedules
- Explain informed consent, risks and benefits of vaccines
- Demonstrate vaccination administration safely
- Practice adverse event management.
- Reinforce the importance of recording and documenting an immunisation encounter.

Students will be issued a Certificate of Attendance upon attending a Plan and Perform Immunisations (unit 6) workshop.

Then, once ALL activities and workshop assessments are completed, students will gain a Certificate of Completion (HESA accredited).

All students need to know their employers' policies and/or procedures, their state or territory legislation, and requirements to fully understand if they can practise as an Immunisation Provider and are working within their scope of practice.

# About Benchmark Group

Benchmark Group is a Registered Training Organisation (RTO 21824) delivering a range of clinical skills courses to meet the needs of a broad range of health professionals across Australia.

As an RTO working in the health sector, our focus is on the delivery of courses designed to provide healthcare professionals with the opportunity to expand their skills and careers. We concentrate on skills and knowledge that can be immediately implemented in a vocational context.

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