



Vaccine Update #474 – 2026 RSV info session, AIR updates for influenza vaccines, handbook updates

2026 RSV Immunisation Program Information Session

The Department of Health, Communicable Disease Control Directorate, Immunisation Program invites WA immunisation providers (including midwives, community health clinics, general practice, Aboriginal Medical Services, and community pharmacies) to attend the 2026 RSV Immunisation Program Information Session.

The session will cover information on 2026 program details. The agenda will be shared ahead of the session.

Key details:

Date: Thursday 19 February 2026

Time: 9.30am – 11.30am

Venue: Department of Health Theatre, or online via MS Teams.

Please register here or via the below QR code. Please feel free to circulate this invitation amongst your networks, to any relevant colleagues who may be interested in attending. For queries, please contact immunisation.education@health.wa.gov.au



The session will be recorded and circulated post event via Vaccine Updates.

Upcoming AIR enhancements for Influenza vaccines

Please see below updates on upcoming AIR enhancements.

AIR updates for FluMist: On 20 October 2025, FluMist was made available to report to the AIR for overseas administrations only.

As of 2 February 2026, vaccination providers can now report FluMist for administrations occurring in Australia, in anticipation of its availability on the Australian market for the upcoming influenza season.

Please see vaccine details below:

Vaccine Brand Name	Vaccine Code
FluMist	FLUMIS

Addition of new influenza vaccines to the AIR: As of 2 February 2026, the following new vaccines are available for reporting to the AIR.

Please see vaccine details below:

Vaccine Brand Name	Vaccine Code
Fluzone	FLUZNE
Flucelvax	FLCLVX

The above vaccines are available to report to the AIR using clinical information software, however if this vaccine is not displayed, it is recommended vaccination providers contact their software provider in the first instance. Alternatively, vaccination providers can report the vaccine to the AIR using the [AIR site](#).

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Reactivation of influenza vaccines on the AIR: As of 3 February 2026, the vaccines listed below have been reactivated in the AIR to allow vaccination providers to report overseas and Australian administrations.

Please see vaccine details below:

Vaccine Brand Name	Vaccine Code
Vaxigrip	VAXGRP
Fluzone High-Dose	FLUHID
Fluad	FLUAD

Australian Immunisation Handbook (AIH) updates

The following chapters of the AIH have been updated:

- [Respiratory syncytial virus \(RSV\)](#)
 - Added guidance for vaccination of individuals with a history of Guillain-Barré Syndrome.
- [Zoster \(herpes zoster\)](#)
 - Added a variation to product information regarding recommended needle gauge for reconstitution of Shingrix, and updated guidance for vaccination of individuals with a history of Guillain-Barré Syndrome.

A complete list of updates is available at [Updates to the Handbook](#)

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