



## 5.10 Immunisation Policy

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This policy relates to	
Human Services Quality Framework	
National Quality Standards Early Childhood Education & Care	7.1
Child Care Provider Handbook	

### Purpose

In line with changes to immunisation rules by the Department of Human Services, children are required to meet immunisation requirements to be eligible for government benefits.

### Policy

Immunisation requirements for the child

To be eligible for the Child Care Subsidy a child must also meet immunisation requirements.

The Australian Government considers that immunisation is an important health measure for children and their families, as it is the safest and most effective way of providing protection against harmful and often deadly diseases. To meet the Child Care Subsidy immunisation requirements children must be immunised according to the standard vaccination schedule, be on an eligible catch-up vaccination schedule, or have an approved exemption from the immunisation requirements.

### Relevant Legislation

Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010  
 Education and Care Services National Regulations 2011  
 Australian Government Department of Education and Training: *Child Care Provider Handbook*  
<https://www.education.gov.au/child-care-provider-handbook-0>

### Key Resources

Australian Government Department of Human Services: *Immunising Your Child*:  
<https://www.humanservices.gov.au/customer/subjects/immunising-your-children>  
 Staying Healthy (2012) Preventing infectious diseases in early childhood and care services Fifth edition

### Related Policies

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