


NSW Pharmacist application to register as a vaccination provider with the Australian Immunisation Register



Vaccination by NSW Pharmacists

A registered pharmacist initiating and administering specified vaccines including influenza, Measles-Mumps-Rubella and Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis vaccines under his/her own authority to a person aged 16 years or older in a NSW retail pharmacy must comply with the following three components of clause 48A of the *NSW Poisons and Therapeutic Goods Regulation 2008* which prescribes rules for:

- Completing an accredited vaccination training course,
- Conducting vaccinations under the  [NSW Pharmacist Vaccination Standards](#), and
- Recording each vaccination.

This provision applies to a pharmacist who holds general registration or provisional registration with the Pharmacy Board of Australia. A pharmacist with provisional registration who has completed an accredited vaccination training course may initiate and administer specified vaccines only when under the supervision of a pharmacist who holds general registration, has completed an accredited vaccination training course and has determined the specified vaccination is appropriate for the particular person.

For more detailed information visit:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/pharmaceutical/pharmacists/Pages/pharmacist-influenza-vaccinations.aspx>

How to register with the AIR

Specified vaccinations given by NSW pharmacists to persons aged 16 years or older must be reported to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR). To send vaccination details to the AIR, retail pharmacies must first apply to register with the AIR which requires approval by the Manager of the NSW Health Immunisation Unit. **Only one AIR application is required per retail pharmacy however each pharmacist administering vaccinations in the pharmacy is required to sign the pharmacist's declaration below.** Once approved, the principal vaccination provider will receive an AIR registration number for the pharmacy and be able to send immunisation data to the AIR.

NSW pharmacists will need to:

1. Complete the **Australian Immunisation Register, Application to register as a vaccination provider** form (one per pharmacy) which can be found at: <https://www.humanservices.gov.au/health-professionals/forms/im004>
2. Sign the declaration at the bottom of this **Vaccination by Pharmacists** application form. One form per pharmacist administering vaccinations in the organisation is required.
3. Forward the completed AIR and Vaccination by Pharmacists application forms for the attention of the Manager of the NSW Health Immunisation Unit at: MOH-VaccReports@health.nsw.gov.au

PHARMACIST DECLARATION

I..... *(print full name)*, of

..... *(enter pharmacy name)*

Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) number

declare that I:

1. have completed an accredited vaccination training course, and;
2. will conduct vaccination clinics as specified in the NSW Pharmacist Vaccination Standards, and;
3. will report each vaccination administered to the Australian Immunisation Register.

Signed..... Date: / /