

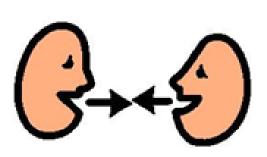


I need an immunisation (vaccination)

Produced by: Emergency Department/KKIND. Ref: 1784. This document can be made available in alternative formats on request for people with disability. **Disclaimer:** This publication is for general education and information purposes. Contact a qualified healthcare professional for any medical advice needed. © State of Western Australia, Child and Adolescent Health Service.



My doctor/nurse has told me that I need an immunisation to help keep me healthy and strong.



The doctor/nurse will check with my caregiver when I had my last immunisations. The doctor/nurse will explain to me why I need today's immunisation.



To feel safe and comfortable I can sit on my caregiver's lap, hold their hand, take deep breaths, look/not look, watch a device. This will help me keep still.



I can choose to use Buzzy Bee to help block the feeling of the immunisation. Buzzy Bee will vibrate and feel cool against my skin.



The immunisation will usually be given into my upper arm and I need to make sure the nurse/doctor can see my shoulder. I need to keep still when it's time for my immunisation.



The immunisation is done very quickly – 5 seconds at most. I might feel this, but it won't last long.



The nurse/doctor will put a little bandaid on my arm. I can take this off when I am ready.



Now that I'm done I can do something that settles me if I'm upset, or find an activity to do while I wait. I need to stay for 15 minutes after my immunisation, and until the rest of my treatments are finished.