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# Getting students with disability ready for a vaccine



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# About this information



This information is about getting students with disability ready for a **vaccine**.



**Vaccines** are medicines that can stop you and your family from getting sick.



You get vaccines in a needle.



We got this information from a study we did at **special schools** in NSW.

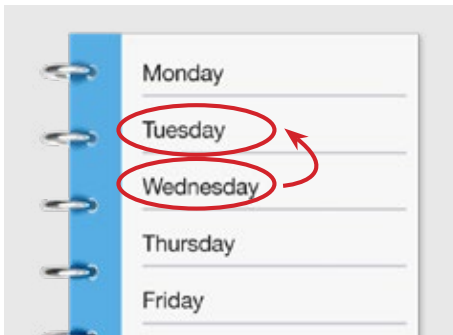


**Special schools** are schools where only students with disability go to.

# Getting students ready for a vaccine



People get students ready for a vaccine in different ways.



Some people tell students 1 or 2 days before it happens.



This is so students learn about vaccines and know what to expect.



Some people surprise students on the day it happens.

People do not know if it is best to



- Get the student ready before they get the vaccine



- Surprise them with the vaccine.



They think it might make some students feel worried or upset.



It is good to think about each student and what they want.

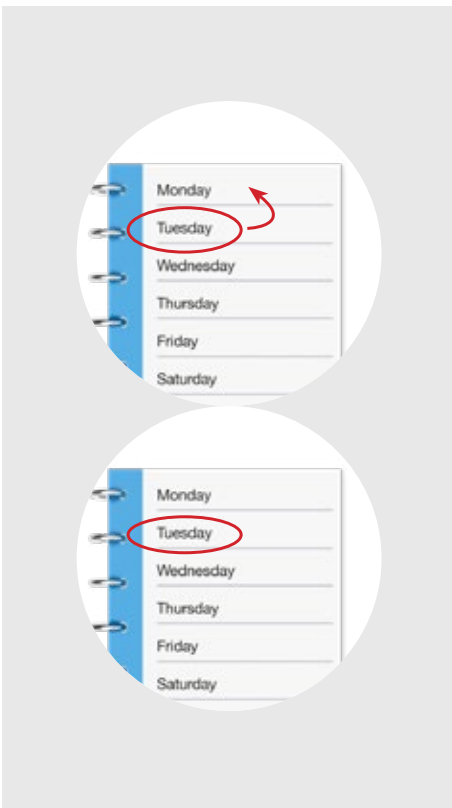
# How to get students ready for a vaccine



There are different ways to get students ready before they have a vaccine.



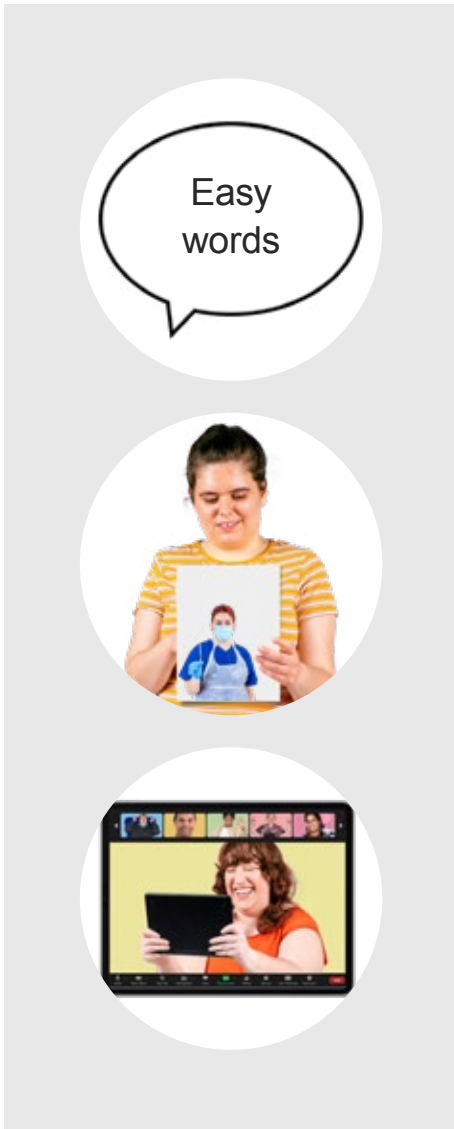
Some parents talk to their children about vaccines.



They do this

- The day before the vaccine

- On the day of the vaccine.



Parents use things like

- Easy words
- Pictures
- Videos.



They tell their child how vaccines keep everyone healthy.



They might also tell their child how vaccines stop people from getting sick.



Sometimes it is up to the teacher when they tell the student about getting a vaccine.



The teacher thinks about things like

- What the student needs
- What the student might do when they get a vaccine.

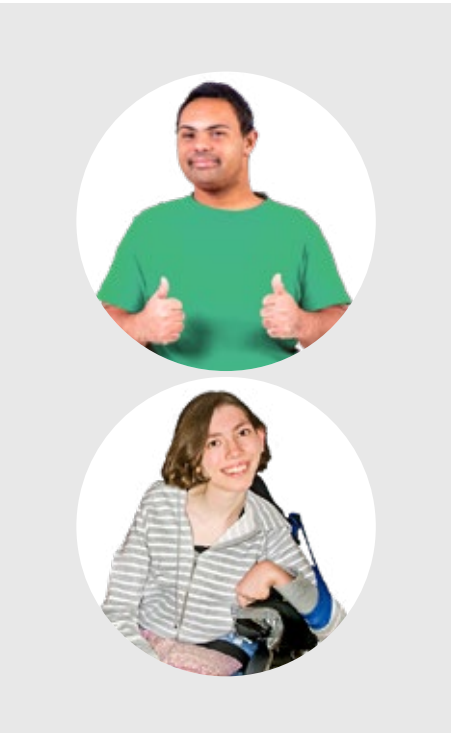


Some schools think it would be good to talk about vaccines in the school lesson.





The school lessons should happen before students get vaccines.



It might help students

- Understand they need to get vaccines
- Feel good about getting vaccines.



## More information



For more information contact Lexie Young from the Kirby Institute.



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