



Yellow Fever Accredited Practitioners

This fact sheet provides a summary of the key responsibilities of accredited yellow fever practitioners.

More detailed requirements and procedures are outlined in the [National Guidelines for Yellow Fever Vaccination Centres and Providers](#) (guidelines).

Yellow Fever Vaccination Learning and Accreditation Course

Medical or nurse practitioners can become accredited to prescribe and administer the yellow fever vaccine after completing the [Yellow Fever Vaccination Learning and Accreditation Course](#).

Practitioners must provide their course completion certificate to the Yellow Fever Vaccination Centre where they intend to practise. This certificate is valid for three years, before the course must be completed again.

Prescribing and administering the yellow fever vaccine

Practitioners should consider individual factors such as medical history and travel itinerary when advising travellers on their need for yellow fever vaccination.

The yellow fever vaccine must only be prescribed and administered to people who should be vaccinated. Please refer to the [Australian Immunisation Handbook](#) for more information.

The yellow fever vaccine must be administered at an approved Yellow Fever Vaccination Centre. In rare circumstances, it may be administered in a hospital.

Providing vaccination certificates or medical exemptions

Following yellow fever vaccination, practitioners must issue an International Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis in line with Australian requirements.

If a practitioner believes vaccination is contraindicated, they should inform the person of the reasons for exemption and the risks of non-vaccination and provide travellers with a formal medical exemption in line with Australian requirements.

Recording vaccinations and reporting adverse events

Practitioners should record every yellow fever vaccination they administer and register them in the [Australian Immunisation Register](#). This record should include any information that may be required to issue a replacement certificate, including the vaccination batch number.

Adverse events following immunisation must be reported to the [state or territory health authority](#), or to the [Therapeutic Goods Administration](#).