

Vaccinations for family members of transplant recipients

When you have a suppressed immune system, it is important to protect yourself from infections from everyone including your family members. It is recommended that your family members and your close contacts receive vaccines to minimise risks of spreading infections to you. See table below

Vaccine	Recommended for your close contacts before your transplant	Recommended for your close contacts after your transplant
Influenza (Inactivated)	Yes	Yes
Influenza (Live attenuated)	Yes	No
Hepatitis B	Yes	Yes
Hepatitis A	Yes	Yes
Haemophilus influenza	Yes	Yes
Pertussis	Yes	Yes
Varicella	Yes	Yes
Measles	Yes	Yes
Mumps	Yes	Yes
Rubella	Yes	Yes

Information on this table has been adapted from the 2009 American Journal of Travel Medicine. For a full list of references visit transplant.org.au.