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| Japanese encephalitis vaccine |
| Eligibility checklist for the public – Version 5 |
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### Am I eligible for a free Japanese encephalitis vaccine?

#### Follow this simple checklist to determine if Japanese encephalitis (JE) vaccine is recommended for you. If you answer ‘Yes’ to any of the following questions you may be eligible to receive the free JE vaccine.

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| Priority groups | | Y/N |
| Q1. | Are you 2 months of age and older and live or routinely work in any of the local government areas of (see list below) **AND**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | * Campaspe | * Indigo | * Gannawarra | | * Loddon | * Mildura | * Moira | | * Swan Hill * Greater Shepparton | * Wodonga * Benalla | * Towong * Strathbogie | | * Wangaratta | * Buloke | * Greater Bendigo | | * Hindmarsh | * Horsham | * Northern Grampians | | * West Wimmera * Macedon Ranges | * Yarriambiack * Mansfield | * Alphine * Mitchell |  * Regularly spend time engaging in outdoor activities that place them as risk of mosquito bites, **OR** * Are experiencing homelessness, **OR** * Are living in conditions with limited mosquito protection (e.g. tents, caravans, dwellings with no insect screens), **OR** * Are engaging in natural disaster response activities, including repeated professional or volunteer deployments. |  |
| Q2. | Do you work at or live on a piggery? |  |
| Q3. | Do you work directly with pigs? (i.e., pig transport, veterinarians, and others involved in the care of pigs) |  |
| Q4. | Do you work in pork abattoirs or rendering plants? |  |
| Q5. | Do you work directly in mosquito surveillance (field or laboratory)? |  |
| Q6. | Do you work in mosquito control? |  |

### What if I am not eligible for a free Japanese encephalitis vaccine?

* The priority groups recommended for free JE vaccines are subject to change. Any change to JE vaccine eligibility will be based on further monitoring.
* Visit the Department of Health’s [Japanese encephalitis](Japanese%20encephalitis) page for more information and updates. <https://www.health.vic.gov.au/infectious-diseases/japanese-encephalitis>.
* Visit the [Better Health Channel](https://www.betterhealth.vic.gov.au/protect-yourself-mosquito-borne-disease) for more information on how to protect yourself from mosquito borne disease.

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