



## HOW CAN I FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE STUDY?

If you would like to know more or to book an appointment, please ring the study coordinator Ann Kennedy or the other Vaccine Research Nurses on 93408542.

This study is run by research nurses at the Vaccine Trials Group at the Telethon Institute for Child Health Research, and the doctors at Fremantle Hospital. It is also being conducted at the Royal Brisbane Hospital.



# Help us provide a better influenza vaccine

Take part in the new 'flu vaccine study



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## WHAT IS THE STUDY ABOUT?

We are giving the 'flu vaccine in a different way to see if this gives you better protection from the 'flu. It will be given into the skin, rather than into the muscle.

## WHY ARE WE DOING THE STUDY?

When we get older we don't fight infection as well as we did when we were younger. If an older person gets the 'flu it is more likely to develop into a more serious infection like pneumonia, which may require hospital treatment.

## WHO CAN TAKE PART?

Any healthy person between the ages of 60 and 85 may take part. If you had a 'flu vaccine last year or have been in other 'flu vaccine studies you may still take part.

## ARE THERE ANY COSTS INVOLVED?

No, there are no costs involved.



## WHAT WILL I HAVE TO DO?

You will need to attend Fremantle Hospital Out Patients' Department four times over a four to five month period.

### On the first visit

- we will discuss the study and you will be asked to sign a consent form
- you will have a blood test
- you will be vaccinated with the 'flu vaccine
- you will be shown how to keep a diary card.

### On the second visit

- you will have a blood test
- we will discuss your diary card.

### On the third visit

- you will have a blood test
- we will discuss your diary card
- you will get a second vaccination with the new season's licensed 'flu vaccine given in the usual manner. This is free to everyone in the study.

### On the fourth visit

- we will do a final diary card check to finish the study.