

IMMUNISATION REQUIREMENTS ON INDIGENOUS PLAYERS

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Statement from AFL Players' Association CEO Paul Marsh:

“In the past 48 hours the AFLPA has become aware of Indigenous players being required to have pneumococcal vaccinations prior to entering AFL High Performance Centres (Hubs).

We are very concerned about this issue and since becoming aware of it, we've had various conversations with players and the AFL, and are in the process of gathering more information to inform what actions we may take.

The fact that these vaccinations were not discussed with the AFLPA as part of the return play protocols or otherwise, is a significant issue we have raised with the AFL.

We are now working directly with players to ensure they understand their rights and options available to them regarding any requested vaccinations.”

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