

New qualification: HCert (Vaccinology)

offered by School of Pharmacy, Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University

The HCert (Vaccinology) is designed to equip healthcare workers with the theoretical knowledge and practical expertise necessary for running an up-to-date clinic that offers infant/childhood vaccination services within the framework of the Expanded Programme on Immunisation of South Africa (EPI-SA).

Admission requirements: A three year qualification in a relevant health science from a tertiary institution and registered with the relevant statutory professional body e.g. qualified nurses, doctors, or pharmacists.

Duration: A minimum of one year and a maximum of two years of full-time online study.

Registration: Applications are open throughout the year

CURRICULUM

Modules 1 to 5 are taught entirely online / Modules 6 to 11 combine online teaching with practical assignments

Modules		Credits
Module 1	Introduction to human infectious disease immunology	4
Module 2	Introduction to vaccinology	4
Module 3	Introduction to vaccine manufacturing and distribution	4
Module 4	Introduction to the Expanded Programme on Immunisation of South Africa (EPI-SA)	4
Module 5	Introduction to the epidemiology of vaccine-preventable diseases and the corresponding vaccine used within the EPI	32
Module 6	EPI vaccination schedules and strategies in South Africa	12
Module 7	Introduction to cold chain management	12
Module 8	Introduction to the safe administration of vaccines	12
Module 9	Introduction to adverse events following immunisation	12
Module 10	Introduction to advocacy, communication and social mobilisation to increase vaccination uptake	12
Module 11	Monitoring and evaluation of EPI-SA	12
Total credits		120

This qualification is being offered free of charge to vaccinators working in the public sector

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