

The Victorian Spleen Registry – information for GPs and patients.

The Victorian Spleen Registry (VSR) at The Alfred hospital aims to assist GPs and patients in the ongoing management of asplenic (eg post splenectomy) and hyposplenic. The VSR is funded by DHS (Vic) and the Marian and E H Flack trust, and provides asplenic and hyposplenic patients with an information package including a medical alert card, yearly newsletters, and reminders for yearly flu vaccination and other boosters, as well as advice including travel vaccinations. GPs can also receive information including guidelines for antibiotic prophylaxis, pneumococcal vaccination, travel advice and investigations including the IgM memory B cell test which is now available in Victoria through The Alfred Hospital.

Once your patient is registered you will receive a VSR report containing information on their vaccination and antibiotics status.

For further information, contact the Victorian Spleen Registry office - 9076 3828, or the The Alfred Hospital Infectious Diseases Service website:

http://www.baysidehealth.org.au/infectious_diseases_unit/