

COVID-19 VACCINATION WEBINAR

RACGP

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For the latest information visit www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus



Roll-out status







Roles and Responsibilities



Commonwealth

- Approve and purchase vaccine
- Store and deliver vaccine, monitor wastage and 'track and trace'
- TGA safety signals surveillance reporting and analysis
- Fund General Practice, ACCHO
- Partnership funding with jurisdictions
- National booking system planned



Victorian Government

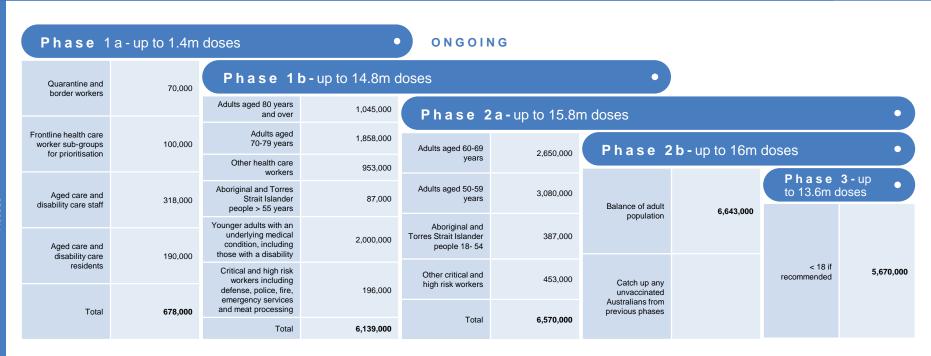
- Commission and support creation of Victorian clinics
- Workforce training, workforce identification and regulatory approval
- Site accreditation for state sites
- Provision of end-to-end COVID vaccine management system
- Clinical management of adverse events following immunisation



Vaccine Providers

- Set up vaccine clinics, administer vaccines
- Complete reporting requirements to AIR and into CVMS
- Report adverse events through existing pathways
- Set up and run specialist pre- and post-vaccine clinics for high risk patients (health services)

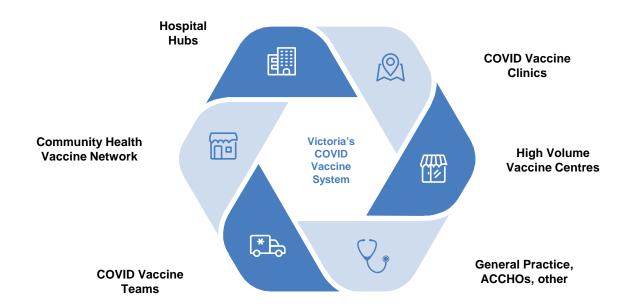
Priority cohorts



Source - Australian Government

Population numbers are current estimates for each category.

COVID vaccine delivery models



Preparation: Engagement and participation



Messaging to assist with vaccine hesitancy

COVID-19 vaccines are effective against preventing severe illness and death from COVID-19

• Evidence shows COVID-19 vaccines are effective on new variants but people may need boosters – like the flu.

COVID-19 vaccines help train your immune system to fight against COVID-19

The vaccines do not give you COVID-19.

Vaccine side affects are usually mild

- Normal side affects usually include soreness, redness, or swelling at the site of injection, a headache or mild fever and fatigue
- Most can be managed speak to your doctor about concerns

COVID-19 vaccines teach your immune system how to fight COVID-19 virus

 COVID-19 vaccines deliver instructions to your body to support your immune system – these instructions are called messenger RNA and are destroyed quickly after delivering the message.

COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective

•The Australian Government is monitoring immunisation programs internationally to ensure Australians approve safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines.

Consent

Informed consent - verbal or written is acceptable.

ATAGI guide: https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/covid-19-vaccine

Australian Government optional written consent form:

https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/covid-19-vaccination-consent-form-for-covid-19-vaccination



Post vaccination support

Patients encouraged to report any possible adverse reactions:

- Respond to SMS
- Contact Surveillance of Adverse Events Following Vaccination In the Community (SAEFVIC) https://www.aefican.org.au/Home/Info/VIC

Patient or clinician support:

Victorian Government Coronavirus hotline 1800 675 398 (option 3 for COVID-19 vaccines)

What you can do

- Provide information about the vaccination process through your existing channels
- Address vaccine hesitancy and concerns with patients
- Encourage patients' continued COVIDSafe behaviours
- Encourage testing for any COVID-19 symptoms
- Share your vaccination experience with patients, friends, family and your community

More information

Questions about vaccines and vaccinations	ATAGI advice on influenza and COVID-19 vaccines - www.health.gov.au/covid19-vaccines Australian Government - www.health.gov.au/covid19-vaccines World Health Organization - www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/covid-19-vaccines Melbourne Vaccine Education Centre - mvec.mcri.edu.au/references/covid-19-vaccines-frequently-asked-questions/ NCIRS - www.ncirs.org.au/covid-19/covid-19-vaccines-frequently-asked-questions/ ASCIA - www.ncirs.org.au/covid-19-vaccines-frequently-asked-questions/ Commonwealth Department of Health - www.ncirs.org.au/covid-19-vaccines/getting-vaccinated-for-covid-19/information-for-people-with-disability-about-covid-19-vaccines Consent information -
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