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COVID-19 Vaccines Multicultural Outreach

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INTRODUCTION

The Department of Health is committed to making information about COVID-19 vaccines available to everyone in Australia, including culturally and linguistically diverse communities. This information pack includes translated communication resources on COVID-19 care and the latest COVID-19 vaccine information.

You are receiving this pack because you are a key stakeholder with important connections in your community. We encourage you to share the resources in this pack across your networks. Through your help and support, we can ensure the community stays informed about COVID-19 care and vaccines through official sources.

LATEST UPDATES

Winter dose of COVID-19 vaccine

On Friday, 25 March 2022, the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) recommended a winter dose of the COVID-19 vaccine for:

- people 65 and older

- residents of aged care or disability care facilities

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders over 50

- people who are immunocompromised.

The winter dose for the groups listed above is in addition to the COVID-19 vaccines booster. The winter dose is not mandatory and you can choose not to get it. You can read the full ATAGI statement on the Department of Health website.

The Department of Health is developing in-language communication resources about the winter dose. These resources will be available on the Department of Health website soon.

NEW 'BOOST' CAMPAIGN

The Department of Health has developed a new 'boost' campaign to encourage people keep up to date with their COVID-19 vaccinations. The campaign is in market and will be adapted and translated for multicultural audiences. The adapted campaign will include radio, digital video and social media assets and will be in market soon.

IN THIS PACK

This pack contains translated resources with information about: COVID-19 booster doses and third doses, including information for people who are immunocompromised; instructions for using rapid antigen tests; information about oral treatments for COVID-19; other videos, posters, and social media assets on COVID-19 vaccines.

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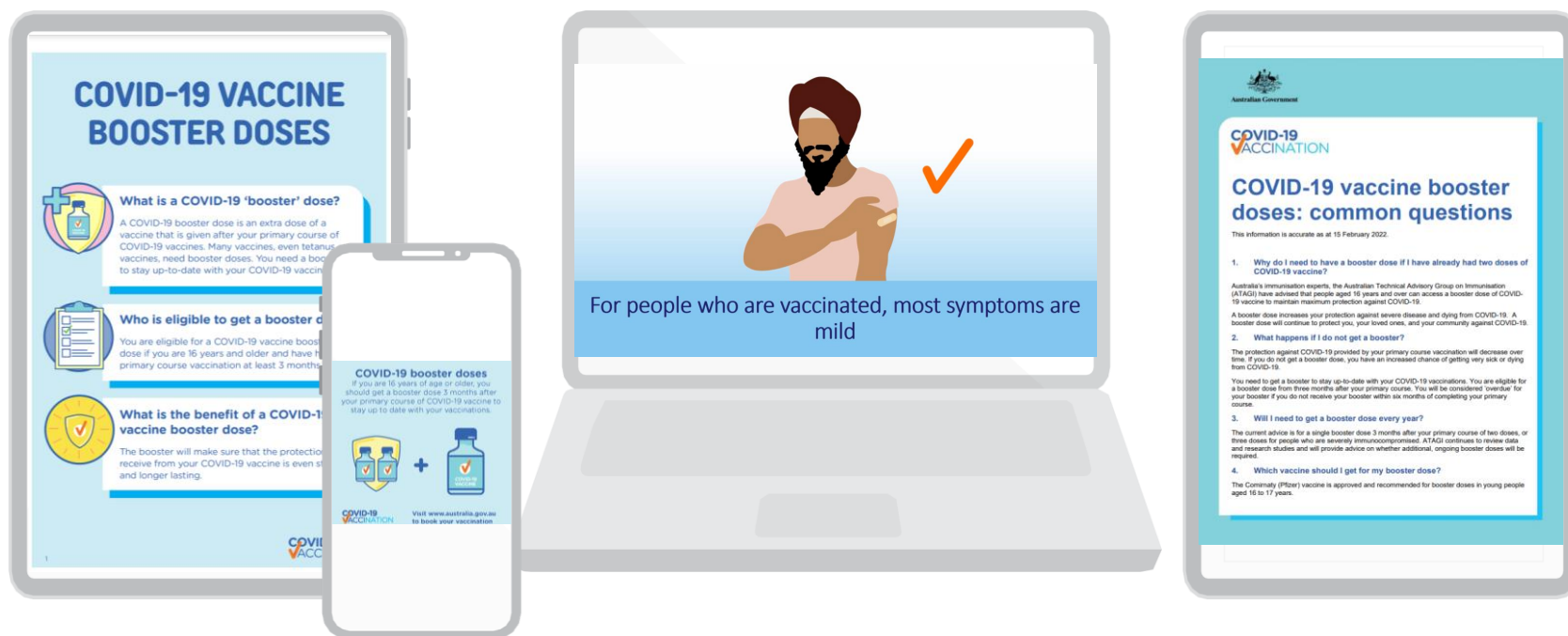
WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP

Share the email with the link to download this stakeholder pack with your network.

Share the resources in this stakeholder pack with your community by posting on social media platforms or messaging apps such as WhatsApp, Viber, WeChat, KakaoTalk or Facebook Messenger.

Print fact sheets and posters and display in your place of work, or community and migrant centres.

Encourage your community to get vaccinated to protect themselves, their families and communities.

VIDEO

Doctors talk about COVID-19 vaccination for children aged 5 to 11

In this video series, doctors talk about COVID-19 vaccination for children aged 5 to 11 and encourage parents and carers to book vaccinations for their children. The videos are available in the following languages: Assyrian, Chinese (Traditional), Chinese (Simplified), Hindi and Punjabi.

Dr. Mariam Joseph
Geriatrician & Consultant Physician

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VIDEO ANIMATION

What to do if you have COVID-19

This video animation includes information about symptoms, testing, how to care for yourself if you are COVID-19 positive, and who to call if you need help.

This video animation is available in 32 languages on the Department of Health's website.

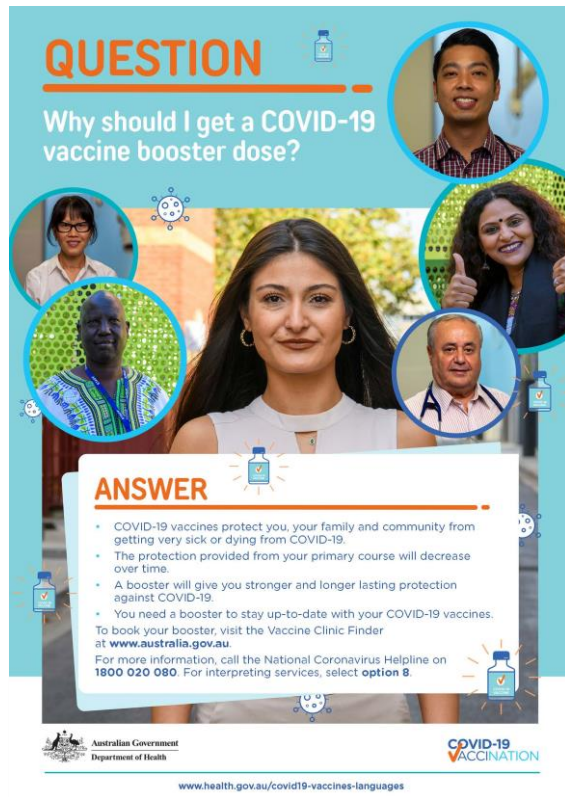For people who are vaccinated, most symptoms are mild

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POSTER

Why should I get a COVID-19 vaccine booster dose?

This poster provides reasons for why you should get a COVID-19 vaccine booster dose.

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POSTER

How can I book my COVID-19 vaccination?
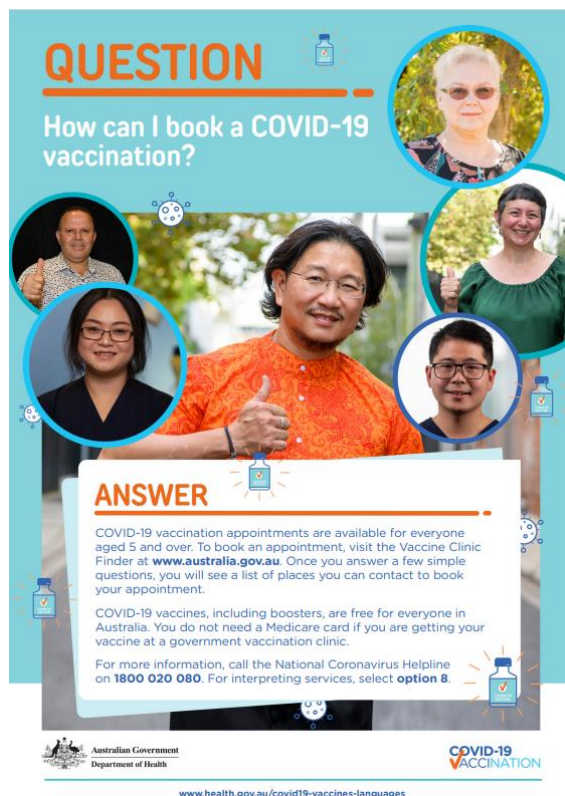
This poster provides an answer to how you can book your COVID-19 vaccine.

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What does my rapid antigen test result mean?
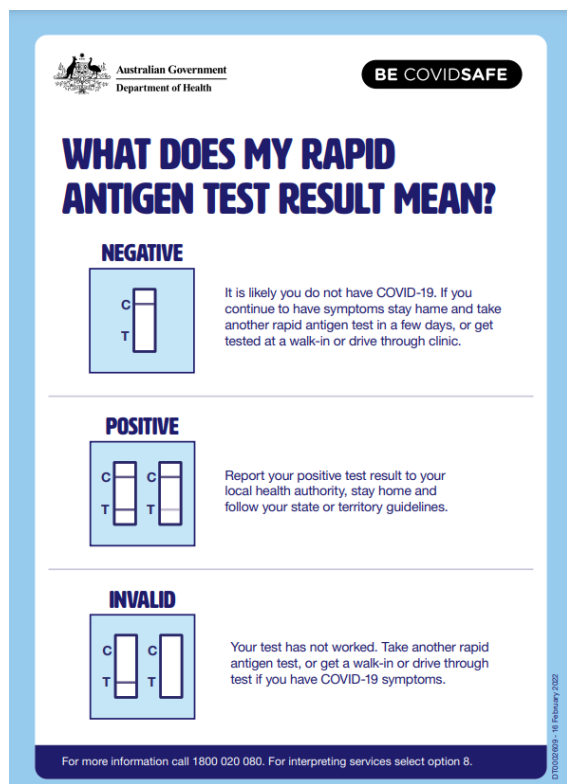
This poster explains how to interpret the results of a rapid antigen test.

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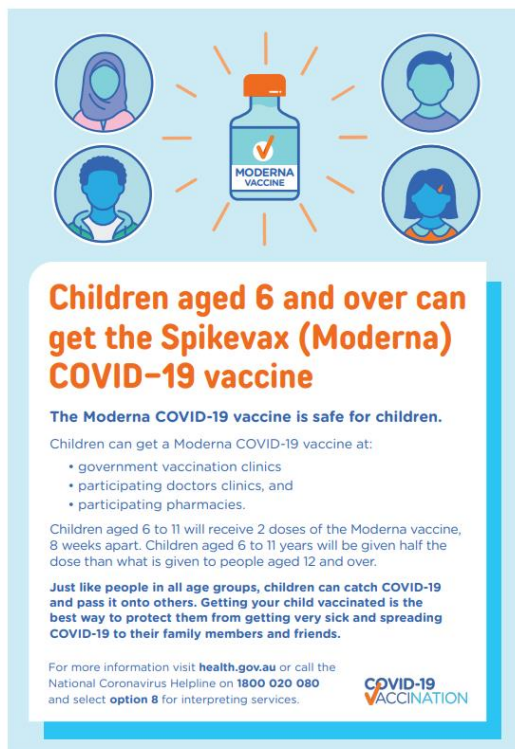**to access the translated resource page**

POSTER

Children can get the Spikevax (Moderna) COVID-19 vaccine

Children aged 6 and over can get the Spikevax (Moderna) COVID-19 vaccine

The Moderna COVID-19 vaccine is safe for children.

Children can get a Moderna COVID-19 vaccine at:
- government vaccination clinics
- participating doctors clinics, and
- participating pharmacies.

Children aged 6 to 11 will receive 2 doses of the Moderna vaccine, 8 weeks apart. Children aged 6 to 11 years will be given half the dose than what is given to people aged 12 and over.

Just like people in all age groups, children can catch COVID-19 and pass it onto others. Getting your child vaccinated is the best way to protect them from getting very sick and spreading COVID-19 to their family members and friends.

For more information visit **health.gov.au** or call the National Coronavirus Helpline on **1800 020 080** and select **option 8** for interpreting services.

This poster explains that children aged 6 years old and over can get the Spikevax (Moderna) COVID-19 vaccine.

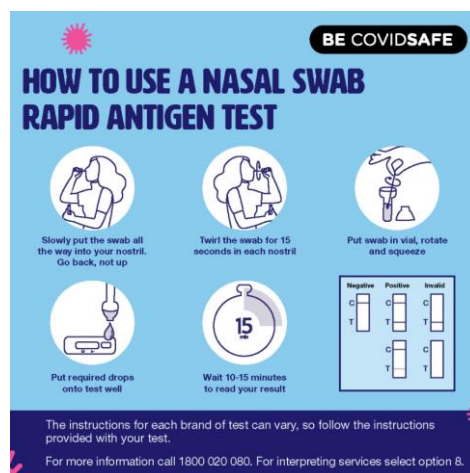This poster is available in 63 languages on the Department of Health's website.

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SOCIAL MEDIA RESOURCES

How to use a rapid antigen test

These social tiles provide information on how to use rapid antigen tests.

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Rapid antigen nasal swap test

Rapid antigen oral saliva test

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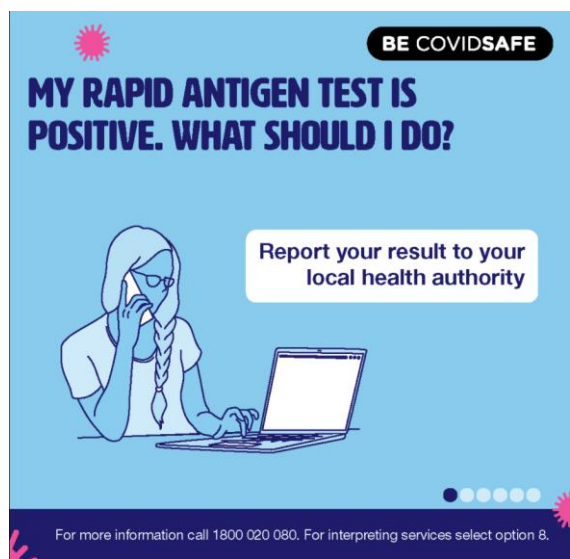
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SOCIAL MEDIA RESOURCE

What to do if your rapid antigen test is positive

This social media animation provides information on what to do if your rapid antigen test is positive.

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SOCIAL MEDIA RESOURCES

COVID-19 booster doses

These social media tiles provide information about COVID-19 vaccine booster doses.

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COVID-19 booster doses
If you are 16 years of age or older, you should get a booster dose 3 months after your primary course of COVID-19 vaccine to stay up to date with your vaccinations.

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Visit www.australia.gov.au to book your vaccination

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You should get a booster if you are

16 years of age or older ✓

3 months after your primary course vaccination ✓

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When should I get my COVID-19 vaccine booster done?

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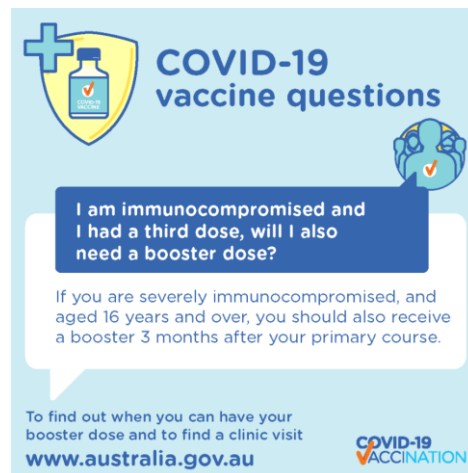to access the translated resource page

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Booster doses for immunocompromised individuals

These social media tiles provide relevant information about booster doses for immunocompromised individuals.

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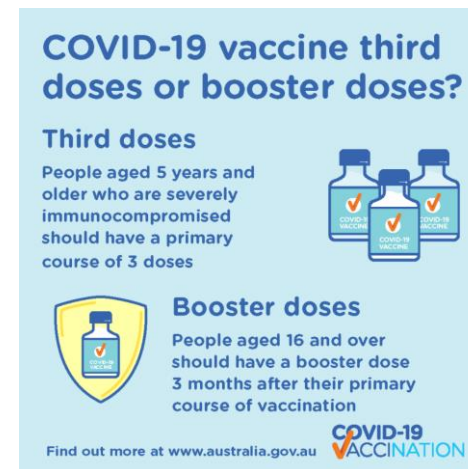I am immunocompromised and I had a third dose, will I also need a booster dose?

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Third dose or booster dose

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SOCIAL MEDIA RESOURCE
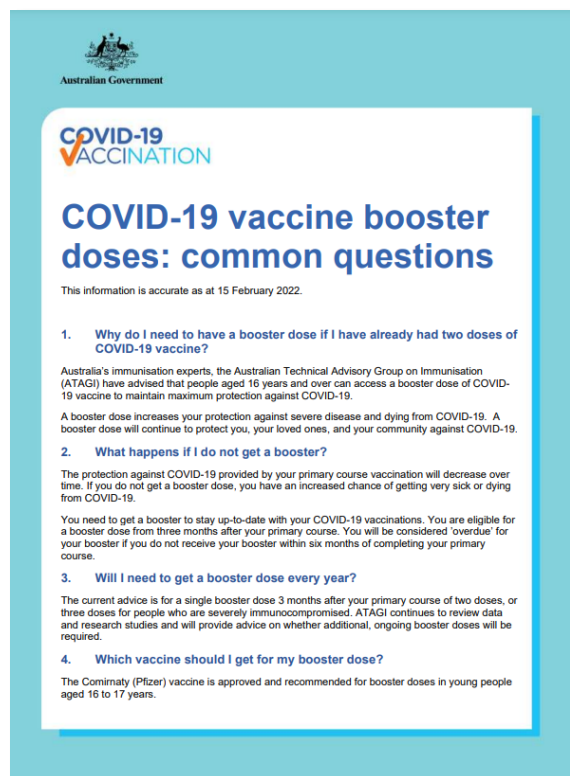
National Coronavirus Helpline

This social media tile explains how to access COVID-19 information and support by contacting the National Coronavirus Helpline.

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FACT SHEET

Commonly asked questions about COVID-19 vaccine booster doses

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COVID-19 vaccine booster doses: common questions

This information is accurate as at 15 February 2022.

1. **Why do I need to have a booster dose if I have already had two doses of COVID-19 vaccine?**

Australia's immunisation experts, the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) have advised that people aged 16 years and over can access a booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine to maintain maximum protection against COVID-19.

A booster dose increases your protection against severe disease and dying from COVID-19. A booster dose will continue to protect you, your loved ones, and your community against COVID-19.

2. **What happens if I do not get a booster?**

The protection against COVID-19 provided by your primary course vaccination will decrease over time. If you do not get a booster dose, you have an increased chance of getting very sick or dying from COVID-19.

You need to get a booster to stay up-to-date with your COVID-19 vaccinations. You are eligible for a booster dose from three months after your primary course. You will be considered 'overdue' for your booster if you do not receive your booster within six months of completing your primary course.

3. **Will I need to get a booster dose every year?**

The current advice is for a single booster dose 3 months after your primary course of two doses, or three doses for people who are severely immunocompromised. ATAGI continues to review data and research studies and will provide advice on whether additional, ongoing booster doses will be required.

4. **Which vaccine should I get for my booster dose?**

The Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccine is approved and recommended for booster doses in young people aged 16 to 17 years.
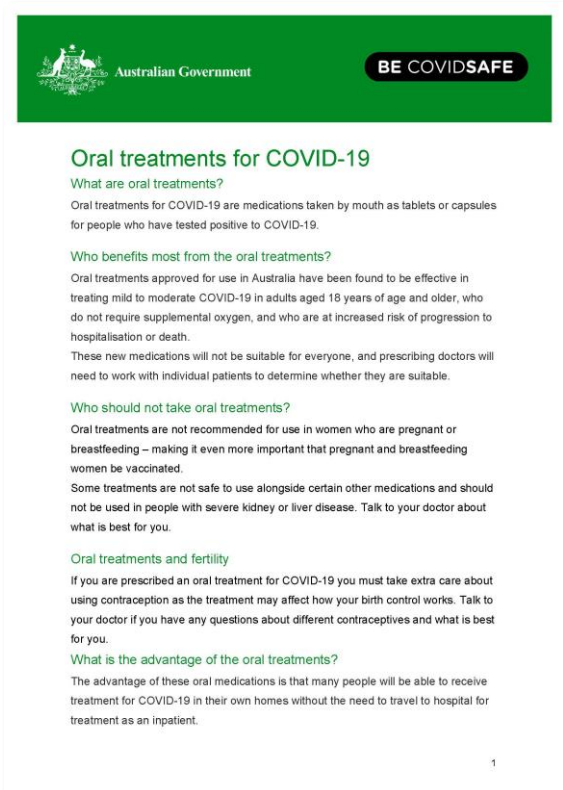
This fact sheet answers commonly asked questions about COVID-19 vaccine booster doses.

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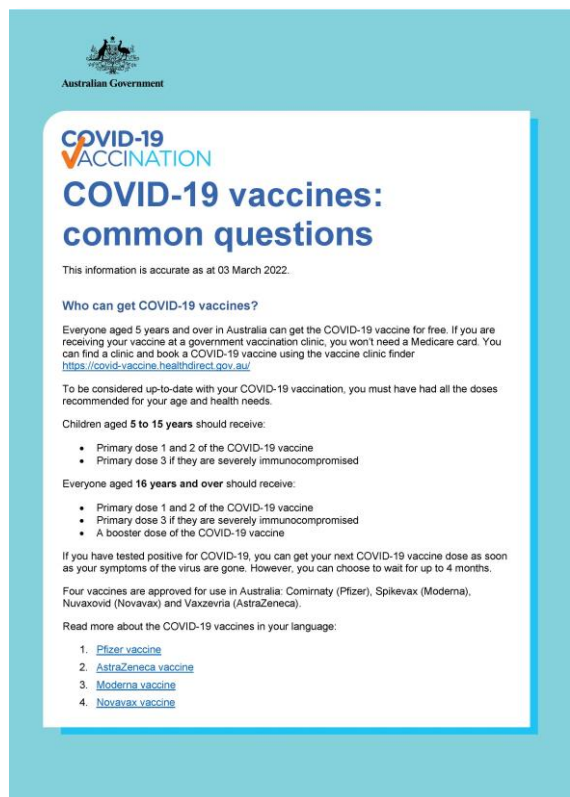
Oral treatments for COVID-19

This fact sheet provides information about the use of oral treatments for people who have tested positive for COVID-19.

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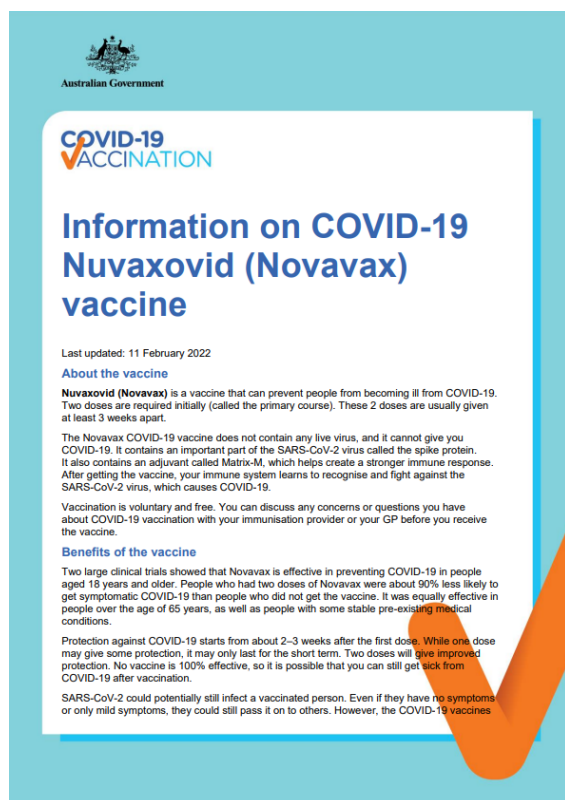
Common questions about COVID-19 vaccines

This fact sheet provides accurate, evidence-based answers to common questions about COVID-19 vaccines.

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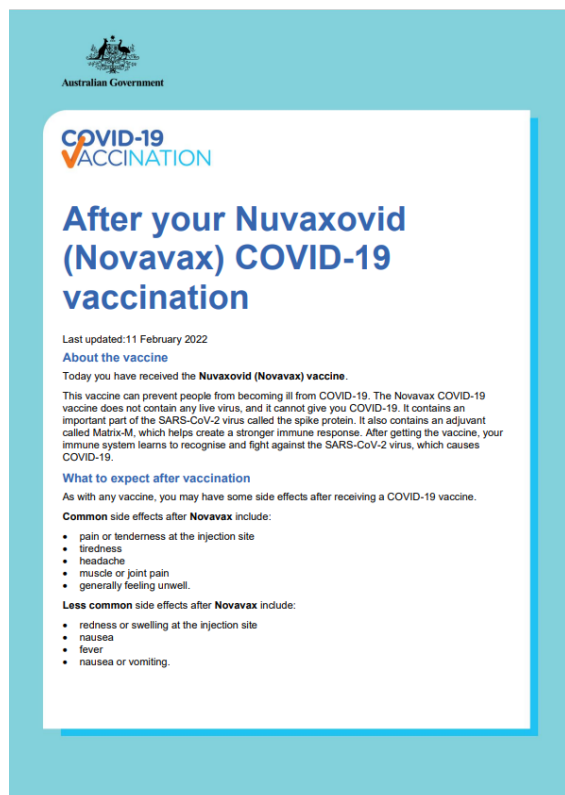## Information on Nuvaxovid (Novavax) COVID-19 vaccine

This fact sheet provides information about the Nuvaxovid (Novavax) COVID-19 vaccine.

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FACT SHEET

After your Nuvaxovid (Novavax) vaccine

This fact sheet provides information about what to expect after your Nuvaxovid (Novavax) COVID-19 vaccination.

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HOW TO USE SOCIAL MEDIA ASSETS

Information on this page outlines how social media assets can be used.
Follow these simple steps to upload your post:

1. Choose the resource in the stakeholder pack that you would like to download and click on the link.

2. Go to your preferred language, click the download button and the resource will save to the download folder on your device.

3. Check your download folder for the resource and move it to a personal folder or onto your desktop for easy access.

4. Open any of your social media accounts such as Facebook, Instagram, Signal or Whatsapp and upload the resource from your chosen folder.

5. You can use the information in this pack to write a post to go with the image.

Tips

- You can adapt the key messages to write your post in a way that is appropriate for your community.

- Deliver the message in a helpful way that encourages your community to share your post.

For further information visit

www.health.gov.au/covid-19-vaccines-languages

To find a vaccination clinic visit

www.australia.gov.au

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