



COVID-19 VACCINATION

Disability Provider Alert

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2024 COVID-19 vaccination advice

The 2024 COVID-19 vaccination advice is [now available](#).

In 2024, all adults can consider one or two COVID-19 vaccine doses depending on their age and health status.

The COVID-19 vaccine protects against severe illness and death, but this protection reduces over time. This means regular vaccinations are important for those most at risk of serious illness, particularly older adults and those with severe immunocompromise.

As with all vaccinations, people are encouraged to discuss the vaccine options available to them with their health practitioner.

Timing of further COVID-19 vaccine doses by age group and risk status

Age	With severe immunocompromise [#]	Without severe immunocompromise [#]
≥ 75 years	Recommended every 6 months	
65-74 years	Recommended every 12 months and eligible for a dose every 6 months	
18-64 years	Recommended every 12 months and eligible for a dose every 6 months	Eligible for a dose every 12 months
5-17 years	Eligible every 12 months	Not recommended
<5 years	Not recommended	

[#]for details refer to the [Australian Immunisation Handbook](#)

More information about COVID vaccinations, including the number of recommended doses, is in the COVID-19 chapter of the [Australian Immunisation Handbook](#).

Further tailored and targeted communications for particular cohorts will be distributed shortly.

How to get a COVID-19 vaccination

People can find a clinic and book their COVID-19 vaccination using the [Health Direct Service Finder](#), or the [Disability Gateway](#).

It is important that people with disability in residential accommodation settings can get COVID-19 vaccinations.

If you provide live-in disability residential accommodation, a primary care vaccination service can visit your facility if you cannot use another service. Contact your [Primary Health Network](#) for help finding primary care vaccination options, including in-reach services provided on site.

For any other questions about COVID-19 vaccinations, email the Department's [COVID-19 Vaccine - Disability team](#).

Support for people with disability, providers, carers, and families
Disability Gateway 1800 643 787, open 8 am to 8 pm, Monday to Friday.

Department of Health and Aged Care website at www.health.gov.au

The Translating and Interpreting Service is available on 131 450.

For people who are deaf, or have a hearing or speech impairment, call the National Relay Service on 133 677.

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