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# Disability provider alert

31 August 2021

## Information on current hubs offering vaccination services

There are many vaccination clinics/hubs now operating across states and territories.

A listing of all clinics/hubs with publicly available booking information can be found at the end of this alert. [Click here to see the list and make a booking](#_Clinics_and_hubs).

If you have a vaccination clinic/hub that we can promote please email our inbox: COVID19VacTFDisabilityServices1A@Health.gov.au so that we can include it in this publication.

Please distribute this information to your workforce.

## Eligibility Checker updates

The national Vaccine Clinic Finder is a single portal where people can access all COVID-19 vaccination clinics across Australia. It continues to be the only way to compare clinic types, check availability, and find and book an appointment in one place. The Vaccine Clinic Finder is easily accessed via the [COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility Checker](https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/eligibility).

The Vaccine Clinic Finder provides:

* **details of over 10,000 vaccination clinics serviced by more than 20 booking providers** - individuals can obtain an up to date view of vaccination services provided by general practice, state and territory, Commonwealth Vaccination Centres, pharmacies, Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations, and other healthcare providers.
* **A view of available clinics aligned with the individual’s requirements** – by providing information in the Vaccine Eligibility Checker that feeds into the Vaccine Clinic Finder about age, location and Medicare, users receive a list of clinics tailored to their requirements. This reduces the risk of being turned away at point of vaccination.
* **Information on how to book an appointment at individual clinics** - where digital bookings are available, a link to the booking system is provided. Where a clinic only takes telephone bookings, the phone number is displayed.

The Vaccine Eligibility Checker is a simple filtering tool to help people find the best clinic for them within the Vaccine Clinic Finder.

It’s important in our external communications that we refer people to [Australia.gov.au](https://www.australia.gov.au/) to click ‘find a clinic’.

This is the strength of the fully integrated Vaccine Clinic Finder.

## ATAGI Statement 27 August 2021 – 12 to 15 year age group

ATAGI has reviewed the evidence and now supports COVID-19 vaccination in all adolescents from 12 years of age.

Vaccination against COVID-19 is recommended for all people from 12 years of age, extending the current recommendation for those 16 years and older.

A two dose schedule using [Comirnaty (Pfizer)](https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/learn-about-covid-19-vaccines/about-the-pfizer-comirnaty-covid-19-vaccine), the only vaccine currently registered for use in Australia in this age group, is recommended.

ATAGI notes that supply of Comirnaty (Pfizer), and Spikevax (Moderna), if recommended in this age group, remains constrained and so the timing of inclusion of adolescents in the national COVID-19 vaccination program needs to be balanced against access to vaccine in other populations.

On 27 August 2021 National Cabinet confirmed that the rollout to the 12-15 year age group will commence from 13 September 2021.

# Vaccination requirements for authorised workers – NSW health orders

In order to work outside their area of concern, authorised workers in NSW must now have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine by Monday 6 September.

Authorised workers under the age of 16 years will be exempt from the requirement to be vaccinated.

A relevant care worker 16 years and over whose place of residence or place of work is in an area of concern must also have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine by Monday 6 September in order to attend work. This includes those who work in an early education and care facility or who provide disability support services.

Vaccination is highly encouraged and workers from the LGAs of concern are offered priority bookings for vaccination. In line with the amended public health order, if an authorised worker is not vaccinated or does not have a medical contraindication form, they will not be able to work outside their LGA.

[Click here to see the NSW health order](https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/news/Pages/20210827_01.aspx)

## Webinar for people with intellectual disability

## 1 September 2021 – register now!



Discussing COVID-19 vaccination will be **Professor Nick Lennox**, Senior Medical Advisor for Disability & Health at the Department of Health and **Tara Elliffe**, a self-advocate from NSW who has had a Covid jab. Tara will talk about her experience and why getting the jab was important to her. A staff member from **Inclusion Australia** will also help with questions and other things.

**The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the importance of getting a COVID-19 vaccine and answer questions from people with intellectual disability and supporters.**

An Auslan interpreter and live captioning will be available during the meeting.

[Click on this link to register](https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/168185935661) and to find more information about the webinar.

**Please circulate this information widely amongst your network.**

## Clinics and hubs by state and territory

Table Hub information by state and territory

**New South Wales**

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| **Provider** | **Address** | **Suburb** | **State** | **Opening Date** | **Days/Open hours** | **Booking Information/ QR code** |
| Lifestyle Solutions | L2, 11-15 Deane Street | Burwood | NSW | 9 August | 9 am - 4.30pmMon - Fri | Image is of the Q code for internet access |
| Lifestyle Solutions | 37 Fern Street | Newcastle | NSW | 9 August | 9 am - 4:30pmMon-Fri | Image is of the Q code for internet access |
| HCA | Woodville Alliance, 44 Mandarin Street | East Fairfield | NSW | 23 August | 9 am - 4.30pmMon-Fri | [**Latest News – Pfizer vaccinations for RACF and NDIS (swsphn.com.au)**](https://www.swsphn.com.au/index.cfm?module=news&pagemode=indiv&page_id=1359508) |
| Aspen led | Michael Clarke Recreation Centre,2 Margaret Dawson Drive | Carnes Hill | NSW | 28-Aug (Dose 1)18-Sep(Dose 2) | 9am – 3pm | No appointment necessary and a GP referral is not required. If you have spoken to your normal GP about getting AstraZeneca, you can bring a letter from them.[AstraZeneca vaccine for people aged 18 and over | NSW Government](https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/health-and-wellbeing/covid-19-vaccination-nsw/astrazeneca-18-years-and-over) |
| Lifestyle Solutions | 37 Fern St | Islington | NSW | 30 Aug – 1 Oct | 9-4:30pmMon - Fri | Image is of the Q code for internet access |

**Tasmania**

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| State Health | 330-336 Invermay Rd | Mowbray | Tas | 12-Jul | Open | To book an appointment people should call the Public Health Hotline on 1800 671 738 and let the operator know they want to book into an ‘Additional Support Clinic’ or ‘Quiet Day clinic’. |
| State Health | 15 Derwent St | Blundstone Arena, Bellerive | Tas | 12-Jul | Open  | To book an appointment people should call the Public Health Hotline on 1800 671 738 and let the operator know they want to book into an ‘Additional Support Clinic’ or ‘Quiet Day clinic’. |

**Queensland**

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| Endeavour Foundation | 38 Railway Parade | Geebung | QLD | 16 June | 9 am - 4.30pm(Tue, Wed, Thurs, Fri) | [Geebung (endeavour.com.au)](https://www.endeavour.com.au/our-endeavour-foundation/covid-19-vaccination-rollout/geebung) |
| Endeavour Foundation | 100 Herries Street | Toowoomba | QLD | 2 July | 9 am - 4.30pm | [Toowoomba (endeavour.com.au)](https://www.endeavour.com.au/our-endeavour-foundation/covid-19-vaccination-rollout/toowoomba) |
| Lifestyle Solutions | Suite 203/58-60 Manila Street | Beenleigh | QLD | 9 August | 9 am-4:30pmMon - Fri | Image is of the Q code for internet access |
| Aspen | Westfield Chermside90 Kittyhawk Dr Suite C9, Floor 1 | Chermside | QLD | 2 Aug | 8.30 am – 4 pm (Mon – Wed)11 am – 7 pm (Thurs)7 am – 3 -m (Fri) | Appointments are required. For assistance, call 0439217836 or email **qldmetrovax@aspenmedical.com**[**Aspen Medical - 1A and 1B Vaccination Clinic at Westfield Chermside**](https://www.westfield.com.au/chermside/store/16rmnNMagxN24ezMiglDgP/aspen-medical-vaccination-clinic) |
| United Disability Care | Level 5/35 Robina Town Centre Drive | Robina | QLD | 30 Aug | 9-5pmMon-Fri | HCA Provider Support Team 1300 542 444 |
| ISOS  | 10 West Terrace  | Caloundra | QLD | 7-Sep | 10am – 5.45pm Mon-Fri | <https://www.hotdoc.com.au/medical-centres/caloundra-QLD-4551/intl-sos-caloundra-hub-1/doctors> |
| ISOS  | 110 Tooley Street | Maryborough | QLD | 14-Sep | 10am – 5.45pm Mon-Fri | <https://www.hotdoc.com.au/medical-centres/maryborough-QLD-4650/intl-sos-maryborough-hub-1/doctors> |
| ISOS  | 263 Agnes Street | Rockhampton | QLD | 14-Sep | 10am – 5.45pm Mon-Fri | <https://www.hotdoc.com.au/medical-centres/rockhampton-QLD-4700/intl-sos-rockhampton-hub-1/doctors> |
| ISOS  | 37 Baden Powell Street | Maroochydore | QLD | Dose 127-AugDose 217-Sep | 10am – 5.45pm Mon-Fri | <https://www.hotdoc.com.au/medical-centres/maroochydore-QLD-4558/intl-sos-maroochydore-hub-1/doctors> |
| ISOS  | 55 Wearing Road | Bundaberg | QLD | Dose 131-Aug Dose 221-Sep | 10am – 5.45pm Mon-Fri | <https://www.hotdoc.com.au/medical-centres/bundaberg-QLD-4670/intl-sos-bundaberg-hub-1/doctors> |
| ISOS  | 30 Barter Street | Gympie | QLD | Dose 131-Aug Dose 221-Sep | 10am – 5.45pmMon - Fri  | <https://www.hotdoc.com.au/medical-centres/gympie-QLD-4570/intl-sos-gympie-hub-1/doctors> |

**Victoria**

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| Aspen | 258 Settlement Road | Thomastown | VIC | 19-May | Mon to Fri, 8.30am to 3.30pm | <https://www.nds.org.au/news/accessing-covid-19-supports-and-the-thomastown-vaccination-hub> |
| HCA | 324 St Kilda Rd | Southbank | VIC | 25-Aug | 8-5pm Mon-Fri | QR Code to book vaccination |
| HCA | L.3, 990 Whitehorse Road | Box Hill | VIC | 23-Aug | 9-4pm Mon - Fri | QR Code to book vaccination |

 **South Australia**

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| **Provider** | **Address** | **Suburb** | **State** | **Opening Date** | **Days/Open hours** | **Booking Information/ QR code** |
| HCA | West Lakes Tennis Club21 Edwin Street | West Lakes Shore | SA | 30 Aug-21 7 Oct | 9 am – 4 pm (Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri) | QR Code to book vaccination |
| Minda | 12-16 King George Avenue | North Brighton | SA | 16-Aug | Open | [**HealthEngine - Booking Form - Aspen Medical Disability Vaccination Clinic North Brighton (Minda)**](https://healthengine.com.au/v2/appointment/book_widget/85385/COVID-19%20Vaccinations?covaxEligibilityChecked=true#about-practice) |
| Aspen | 17 Main North Road | Medindie | SA | 7 June | Open | 0437 325 123 |

## Social post

The below social media post is for you to distribute through your channels. Accompanying images can be accessed on the provider alert edition page [at this link](https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/covid-19-vaccination-disability-provider-alert).

### Post

#### Facebook

Caption:

If you have a disability, it’s important to get vaccinated as soon as you can!

Some people with disabilities might have an increased risk of getting very sick 🤒 from the COVID-19 virus 🦠, and getting vaccinated can help protect your health, and the health of those around you.

If you have a care provider, they should also get vaccinated too.

Don’t delay, book your vaccination today by talking to your GP or visit <https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/eligibility> 💻

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#### Twitter

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#### Instagram

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#COVID-19 #COVIDvaccines #vaccines #health

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## Resources to support people getting vaccinated

The Department of Health encourages disability providers to have vaccination resources available in [Easy Read](https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/covid-19-vaccination-easy-read-resources) format and in [other languages](https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/covid-19-vaccine-information-in-your-language) for people getting vaccinated. These resources cover all aspects of the vaccination process including preparing for COVID-19 vaccination and the period after the COVID-19 vaccination. You can download and print these from the Department of Health website.

For more information call the National coronavirus and
COVID-19 vaccination helpline on 1800 020 080.