



Australian Government



Consent form for COVID-19 vaccination

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About COVID-19 vaccination

People who have a COVID-19 vaccination have a much lower chance of getting sick from COVID-19.

There are two brands of vaccine in use in Australia. Both are effective and safe. Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccine is preferred over Vaxzevria (AstraZeneca) for adults under 60 years of age.

You need to have two doses of the same brand of vaccine. The person giving you your vaccination will tell you when you need to have the second vaccination.

Medical experts have studied COVID-19 vaccines to make sure they are safe. Most side effects are mild. They may start on the day of vaccination and last for around 1-2 days. As with any vaccine or medicine, there may be rare and/or unknown side effects.

A very rare side effect of blood clotting (thrombosis) with low blood platelet levels (thrombocytopenia) has been reported following vaccination with the Vaxzevria (AstraZeneca). This is not seen after Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccine. For further information on the risk of this rare condition refer to the [Patient information sheet on AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine and thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome \(TTS\)](#).

Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effects after vaccination that you are worried about.

Some people may still get COVID-19 after vaccination. You must still follow public health precautions as required in your state or territory to stop the spread of COVID-19.

Vaccination providers must record all vaccinations on the Australian Immunisation Register, as required by Australian law. You can view your vaccination record online through your:

- Medicare account, MyGov account or MyHealthRecord account.

On the day you receive your vaccine

Before you get vaccinated, tell the person giving you the vaccination if you:

- Have had an allergic reaction, particularly anaphylaxis (a severe allergic reaction) to a previous dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, to an ingredient of a COVID-19 vaccine, or to other vaccines or medications.
- Are immunocompromised. This means that you have a weakened immune system that may make it harder for you to fight infections and other diseases. You can still have a COVID-19 vaccine, but may wish to consider the best timing of vaccination depending on your underlying condition and/or treatment.

Consent Checklist

- | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you had an allergic reaction to a previous dose of a COVID-19 vaccine? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you had anaphylaxis to another vaccine or medication? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you had a serious adverse event, that following expert review was attributed to a previous dose of a COVID-19 vaccine? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you ever had mastocytosis which has caused recurrent anaphylaxis? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you had COVID-19 infection before? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have a bleeding disorder? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you take any medicine to thin your blood (an anticoagulant therapy)? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have a weakened immune system (immunocompromised)? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are you pregnant? * |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | In the last 7 days, have you been sick with a cough, sore throat, fever or are feeling sick in another way? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you had a COVID-19 vaccination before? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you received any other vaccination in the last 7 days? |

Consent Checklist- continued

Relevant only for those receiving AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine (Vaxzevria):

- | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you ever been diagnosed with capillary leak syndrome? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you ever had major venous and/or arterial thrombosis in combination with thrombocytopenia, including diagnosed Thrombotic Thrombocytopenic Syndrome (TTS), following a previous dose of a COVID-19 vaccine? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you ever had cerebral venous sinus thrombosis? * |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you ever had heparin-induced thrombocytopenia? * |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you ever had blood clots in the abdominal veins (splanchnic veins)? * |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you ever had antiphospholipid syndrome associated with blood clots? * |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are you under 60 years of age? * |

* Comirnaty is the preferred vaccine for people in these groups but if not available, AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine can be considered if the benefits of vaccination outweigh the risk. For more information refer to the: [Patient information sheet on thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome \(TTS\)](#)

Relevant only for those receiving Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine (Comirnaty):

- | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you ever had myocarditis or pericarditis? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you currently have, or have you recently had acute rheumatic fever or endocarditis? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have congenital heart disease? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | For people under 30 years of age: do you have dilated cardiomyopathy? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have severe heart failure? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are you a recipient of a heart transplant? |

Patient information

Name:	
Medicare number:	
Date of birth:	
Address:	
Phone contact number:	
e-mail:	

Language spoken at home:	
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Next of kin (in case of emergency):	
Name:	
Phone contact number:	

Consent to receive COVID-19 vaccine

- I confirm I have received and understood information provided to me on COVID-19 vaccination
- I confirm that none of the conditions above apply, or I have discussed these and/or any other special circumstances with my regular health care provider and/or vaccination service provider
- I agree to receive a course of COVID-19 vaccine (two doses of the same vaccine)

Patient's name:	
Patient's signature:	
Date:	

or

- I am the patient's guardian or substitute decision-maker, and agree to COVID-19 vaccination of the patient named above

Guardian/substitute decision-maker's name:	
Guardian/substitute decision maker's signature:	
Date:	