



## Consent form for COVID-19 vaccination

## **About COVID-19 vaccination**

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

The COVID-19 vaccination is free. You choose whether to have the vaccination or not.

To be vaccinated you will get a needle in your arm. You need to have the vaccination two times on different days. There are different brands of vaccine. You need to have the same brand of vaccine both times. 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 and don't last for long. 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 possible rare side effect of blood clots in the brain or other body sites is currently being investigated. It is not known if this condition is caused by the vaccine – this is currently being investigated. This condition has been reported in the 4-20 days after vaccination with COVID-19 AstraZeneca vaccine at a rate of about 1 to 8 people for every one million people vaccinated. This safety concern is not being raised with Comirnaty (Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine). You can still receive the COVID-19 AstraZeneca vaccine. You and your health care provider will be advised of how to act early on any signs of this rare condition.

You can tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effects like a sore arm, headache, fever or any other side effect you are worried about. You may be contacted by SMS within the week after receiving the vaccine to see how you are feeling after vaccination.

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

- keep your distance stay at least 1.5 metres away from other people
- washing your hands often with soap and water, or use hand sanitiser
- wear a mask, if your state or territory has advised that you should stay home if you are unwell with cold or flu-like symptoms and arrange to get a COVID-19 test.

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Vaccination providers 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
- MyHealthRecord account.

## How the information you provide is used

For information on how your personal details are collected, stored and used visit <a href="https://www.health.gov.au/covid19-vaccines.">https://www.health.gov.au/covid19-vaccines.</a>

## On the day you receive your vaccine

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

- Have any allergies, 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. An allergy is when you come near or in contact with something
  and your body reacts to it and you get sick very quickly. This may include things like an
  itchy rash, your tongue getting bigger, your breathing getting faster, you wheeze or your
  heart beating faster.
- If you are immunocompromised. This means that you have a weakened immune system that may make it harder for you to fight infections and other diseases. Sometimes a disease like diabetes or cancer can cause this or certain medicines or treatments you take, such as medicine for cancer.

Yes	No	
		Do you have any serious allergies, particularly anaphylaxis, to anything?
		Have you had an allergic reaction after being vaccinated before?
		Do you have a mast cell disorder?
		Have you had COVID-19 before?
		Do you have a bleeding disorder?
		Do you take any medicine to thin your blood (an anticoagulant therapy)?
		Do you have a weakened immune system (immunocompromised)?
		Are you pregnant or do you think you might be pregnant?
		Are you breastfeeding?
		Have you been sick with a cough, sore throat, fever or are feeling sick in another way?
		Have you had a COVID-19 vaccination before?
		Have received any other vaccination in the last 14 days?
		Have you had cerebral venous sinus thrombosis (a type of brain clot) in the past?
		Have you had heparin-induced thrombocytopenia (a rare reaction to heparin treatment) in the past?

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