

COVID-19 vaccine

- The COVID-19 vaccine is an important way to keep the community safe and healthy.
- The first doses of the vaccine will be given to those who need it most.
- It is recommended that all adults get the COVID-19 vaccine when they are eligible.
- The COVID-19 vaccine will be free.

When will the COVID-19 vaccination program be rolled out?

The WA COVID-19 vaccination program commenced its planned rollout on 22 February, 2021. Phase 1a is currently underway. The vaccines used in the program are proven safe and effective by the [Therapeutic Goods Administration \(TGA\) \(external site\)](#) and all eligible Western Australians will have the opportunity to receive the COVID-19 vaccine over the coming months.

The vaccination program is being implemented in a phased priority approach as increasing supply becomes available in WA.

Who will get the COVID-19 vaccine first?

Priority groups will be offered the first doses such as people most at risk of becoming very ill with COVID-19 and those at greater risk of becoming infected through their work and infecting others.

More people will have access to the vaccine as more doses become available.

COVID-19 vaccine frequently asked questions

Find out more about the COVID-19 vaccine on the [COVID-19 FAQs page](#).

Phase	Eligible populations
Phase 1a	Quarantine and border workers Frontline health care worker sub-groups for prioritisation Aged care workers and residents (external site) Disability care workers and residents (external site)
Phase 1b	Elderly adults aged 80 years and over Elderly adults aged 70-79 years Other health care workers

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	<p>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people over 55 (external site)</p> <p>Younger adults with an underlying medical condition, including those with a disability</p> <p>Critical and high risk workers including:</p> <p>defence, police, ambulance, fire, emergency services</p> <p>meat processing workers.</p>
Phase 2a	<p>Adults aged 60-69 years</p> <p>Adults aged 50-59 years</p> <p>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 18-54 (external site)</p> <p>Other critical and high-risk workers</p>
Phase 2b	<p>Balance of adult population</p> <p>Catch up any unvaccinated Australians from previous phases</p>
Phase 3	<p>People under 16 years if recommended (Pfizer vaccine only)</p>

