

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear St Basil's Residential Aged Care workers,

## COVID-19 Vaccine for Residential Aged Care Workers

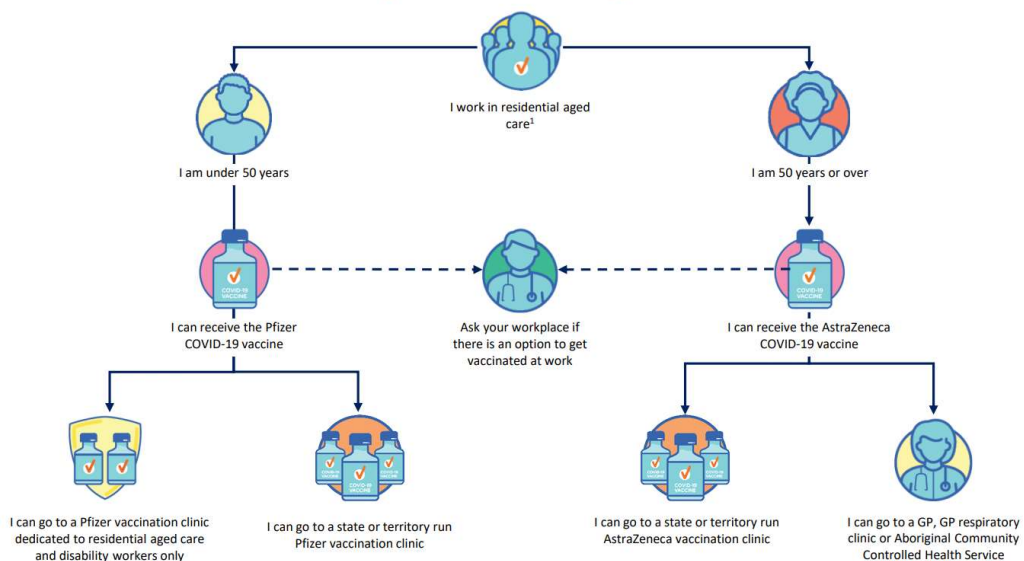
I am pleased to advise you that the Australian Government is making it possible for workers in residential aged care to get vaccinated quickly and safely. The COVID-19 vaccine is voluntary, but strongly encouraged by the Government.

### How residential aged care workers can access a COVID-19 vaccine

Workers in residential aged care will be offered a COVID-19 vaccine depending on their age which is in line with the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation recommendations:

- **People aged 50 years and over** will receive the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine.
- **People aged under 50 years** will receive the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine.

### How workers in residential aged care can get a COVID-19 vaccination



<sup>1</sup>If you work at a rural or remote residential aged care facility, you will be advised if you can receive your vaccine as part of a whole of community vaccination clinic.

COVID-19  
VACCINATION



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## Where can I get vaccinated?

- General Practices: Use the [COVID-19 vaccine eligibility checker](#) to find a clinic near you.
- State-operated clinics (Pfizer for workers aged under 50 and AstraZeneca for workers aged 50 and over): [Royal Prince Alfred Hospital](#) or find details for the different state and territory clinics via the [COVID-19 vaccine eligibility checker](#).
- Dedicated 'pop-up' vaccination clinics for workers under the age of 50 by [Sonic Vaccinations](#)
  - Blacktown: open from Monday 3 May 8am to 6pm, 7 days a week
  - Campbelltown: open from Monday 10 May from 8am to 6pm, 7 days a week
  - Sydney CBD: open from Monday 24 May from 8am to 6pm, 7 days a week
  - Macquarie Park: open from Monday 24 May from 2pm to 10pm Monday – Friday, and 8am to 6pm Saturday and Sunday.

## How do I show I am eligible to receive a vaccine?

Aged care workers can confirm eligibility by providing **one** of the following documents at your vaccine appointment:

- current work ID card showing employment in a relevant occupation
- letter from employer or payslip confirming you are currently employed in aged care
- a completed [Eligibility Declaration Form](#).

You will also need to take proof of age (e.g. driver's licence, passport, birth certificate) with you to your appointment. You may also wish to take your Medicare Card with you so that the vaccination details are added to your Immunisation Register.

## Can I get a flu vaccine at the same time as a COVID-19 vaccine?

It is recommended you wait 14 days between getting a flu vaccine and a COVID-19 vaccine. It is important to plan for both vaccinations.

Flu vaccinations for residents and staff should occur:

- 14 or more days **before** your first Pfizer dose
- 14 or more days **after** your second (and final) Pfizer dose
- 14 or more days **before or after** your first AstraZeneca dose
- 14 or more days **before or after** your second (and final) AstraZeneca dose.

There are several options for booking in to receive your COVID-19 vaccination depending on your age. Check your eligibility and find the location of your vaccination options [now](#)

For more details [visit our staff web page now](#)

Yours sincerely,



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