

Covid-19 Vaccination



Dear ADS Care Service User,

As the roll out of the Covid-19 Phase 1a vaccination is being implemented we are unable to give a specific timeline and process on the ADS Care vaccination policy and communication.

Once we have specific guidelines from the Government about your obligations and responsibilities in meeting the vaccination roll out, we will communicate this to you.

ADS Care will provide information to all our participants and staff as we receive it.

The Department of Health is developing an implementation plan for the disability sector in consultation with state and territory governments, key disability stakeholders and other Commonwealth departments and agencies.

Prior to the implementation of a government lead vaccine policy, ADS Care will:

- seek appropriate advice from all Government and health authorities.
- encourage workers to seek their own independent medical advice regarding the vaccination.
- provide information on the vaccine programs currently recommended by health authorities.

Currently, there are no legislative or regulatory requirements for an employer to mandate vaccinations in the workplace in most circumstances.

However, State and Territory regulations may require employees undertaking duties in specific industries to receive specific up-to-date vaccinations.

COVID-19 vaccination fast facts.

- COVID-19 vaccinations consist of two doses. The doses are expected to be three or four weeks apart depending on which vaccine is received.
- There will be more than 1000 locations across Australia where people will be able to access the vaccine including vaccine hubs at hospitals, Aboriginal Controlled Community Health Services, doctors and other clinics.
- The vaccines will be available in batches so they will be given to more vulnerable groups of people first.

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- Vaccination is not compulsory but may become a requirement in certain settings (such as for health care workers and people travelling overseas).

Please click on the link below for an Australian Government information video

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/videos/australias-covid-19-vaccine-supply-animation>

ADS Care are still reviewing its position on the vaccination roll out. As the situation is changing daily, we will endeavour to keep you updated. We recommend you also seek information directly from the Government and Health department.

Regards

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