

# Making it easier for Australians to get vaccinated against COVID-19

## What is the Great Aussie Vaccine Drive?

The Great Aussie Vaccine Drive is a group of Australian businesses who have banded together to champion the role of employers in making it easier for their people to get vaccinated against COVID-19 if they choose to do so.



## How are these businesses making it easier for employees?

Getting vaccinated is important to many Australians but between family, work commitments and waitlists, it can be hard to schedule an appointment time outside of traditional office hours.

Businesses taking part in the Great Aussie Vaccine Drive have pledged to provide paid vaccination leave to their permanent employees so they have more flexibility when scheduling and attending their vaccination appointments during the Government's vaccine roll out.

## What is the commitment from my employer taking part in the Vaccine Drive?

Businesses taking part in the Great Aussie Vaccine Drive have pledged to:

- Provide permanent employees with paid leave accessible twice, for both doses of their COVID-19 vaccine.
- Run the vaccination leave program throughout the Government's vaccine roll out.
- Provide paid vaccination leave or flexible options to make it easier for casual employees to attend vaccination appointments.

## What happens if I'm not eligible for a vaccination now?

Some people will be eligible for a vaccination now while others may not be immediately eligible. Businesses taking part in the Great Aussie Vaccine Drive pledge to make the vaccination leave program open to permanent employees throughout the Government's vaccine roll out.

## What happens if I don't want to get the vaccination?

It is up to the individual to decide whether or not to get vaccinated. Businesses taking part in the Great Aussie Vaccine Drive are simply making it easier for people to get vaccinated if they are eligible and if they want to.

## How do I apply for vaccination leave?

Once the vaccination leave policy is in place, *[participating business to insert details of how employees should apply through existing internal systems.]*

## How does this impact my employer's COVID-19 Safety plan and policies?

Vaccination leave doesn't impact broader COVID-19 Safety Plan or policies. Regardless of whether people are vaccinated or not, everyone should comply with COVID-19 Safety Plans by checking in to offices, [practising good hygiene](#), [maintaining physical distance](#), staying home if you are sick, [getting tested](#) and following Government advice.

## How do you know if you are eligible for the vaccine?

To check if you are eligible and which free COVID-19 vaccine is recommended for you, visit the [COVID-19 Government website](#). Click on the links below for more information on the vaccines available in Australia: [COVID-19 Pfizer \(Comirnaty\) vaccine](#) and [Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine](#).

## What further support is available at this time?

If you have additional questions about the COVID-19 vaccines, please speak to your health professional.