# COVID-19 vaccine

## Where can you get the vaccine?

### Easy Read fact sheet

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What is this fact sheet about?

A **vaccine** is medicine that:

* helps people fight a virus if they come in contact with it
* can stop people from getting very sick from the virus.

The COVID-19 vaccine is a safe way to protect:

* you
* your family
* the community.

A **vaccination is when you receive an injection of the vaccine.** This is done with a needle.

We can’t give everyone the vaccination at the same time.

Some people will have the COVID-19 vaccination first, including people who are more at risk of:

* catching the virus
* getting very sick if they catch the virus.

## Where can you get the COVID-19 vaccination?

At the moment only some people will receive the COVID-19 vaccination.

If you live in a home just for people with disability, the people who work at your home will tell you when you will receive it.

Later in the year, more people will receive the COVID-19 vaccination.

They might be able to have the vaccination at:

* a health or medical clinic
* Aboriginal Controlled Community Health Services
* clinics run in your state or territory
* a chemist or pharmacy.

We will share more information about how to book a COVID-19 vaccination later in the year.

All of these places should be **accessible**.

When something is accessible, everyone can use it.

You should be able to:

* enter a place or building
* use a service
* get information.

Some people might need to have a home visit for their
COVID-19 vaccination.

This will only be available for some people who can’t get to a clinic or pharmacy to have a vaccination.

We will share more information about home visits later in the year.

## More information

You can call the Disability Gateway on **1800 643 787**.

They are open from 8 am to 8 pm, Monday to Friday.

You can visit the Department of Health website at[www.health.gov.au](http://www.health.gov.au)for more information about the vaccine.

You can call the National Coronavirus Helpline on **1800 020 080.**

If you need information in a language other than English, call the Translating and Interpreting Service on **131 450**.

If you are deaf, or have a hearing or speech impairment, you can call the National Relay Service on **133 677**.

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