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### **AstraZeneca Vaccine FAQs**

You can read through the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about the updated advice on the AstraZeneca vaccine [here](#).

You can find answers to questions like:

- Is the AstraZeneca vaccine safe?
- Why is AstraZeneca still recommended for people over 50?
- I've had my first dose of AstraZeneca, can I switch to Pfizer for my second dose?
- What is a serious adverse event?
- I'm booked in for my first dose of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine, what do I do?
- Who can I speak to if I have concerns?

### **Free Flu Vaccines**

Some groups of people are more likely to get very sick from the flu. Free flu vaccines are available to people in those groups who have a Medicare card. Eligible people include:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged six months and over
- people with chronic conditions that can make them very sick with complications from flu
- children aged six months to less than five years of age
- pregnant women
- people 65 years of age and over
- people experiencing homelessness.

Free flu vaccinations are available from general practitioners (GPs), some local council providers, community or aged care services, and Aboriginal medical services.

If you are not eligible to receive a free flu vaccine, you can pay to have

the vaccine at a relatively low cost. Ask your GP, your local council clinic or pharmacy.

**Can I get both the COVID-19 vaccine and the flu vaccine this year?**

Yes, you can. For most people, the recommended time between a dose of the seasonal flu vaccine and a dose of COVID-19 vaccine is 14 days. Two doses of the COVID-19 vaccine are required for full protection.

SA Health is your trusted source for information on COVID-19. For more information visit our [website](#) and follow us on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

[SA.GOV.AU](#) is a dedicated COVID-19 gateway, linking to relevant information on state and federal government websites.

[www.covidvaccine.sa.gov.au](http://www.covidvaccine.sa.gov.au)



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