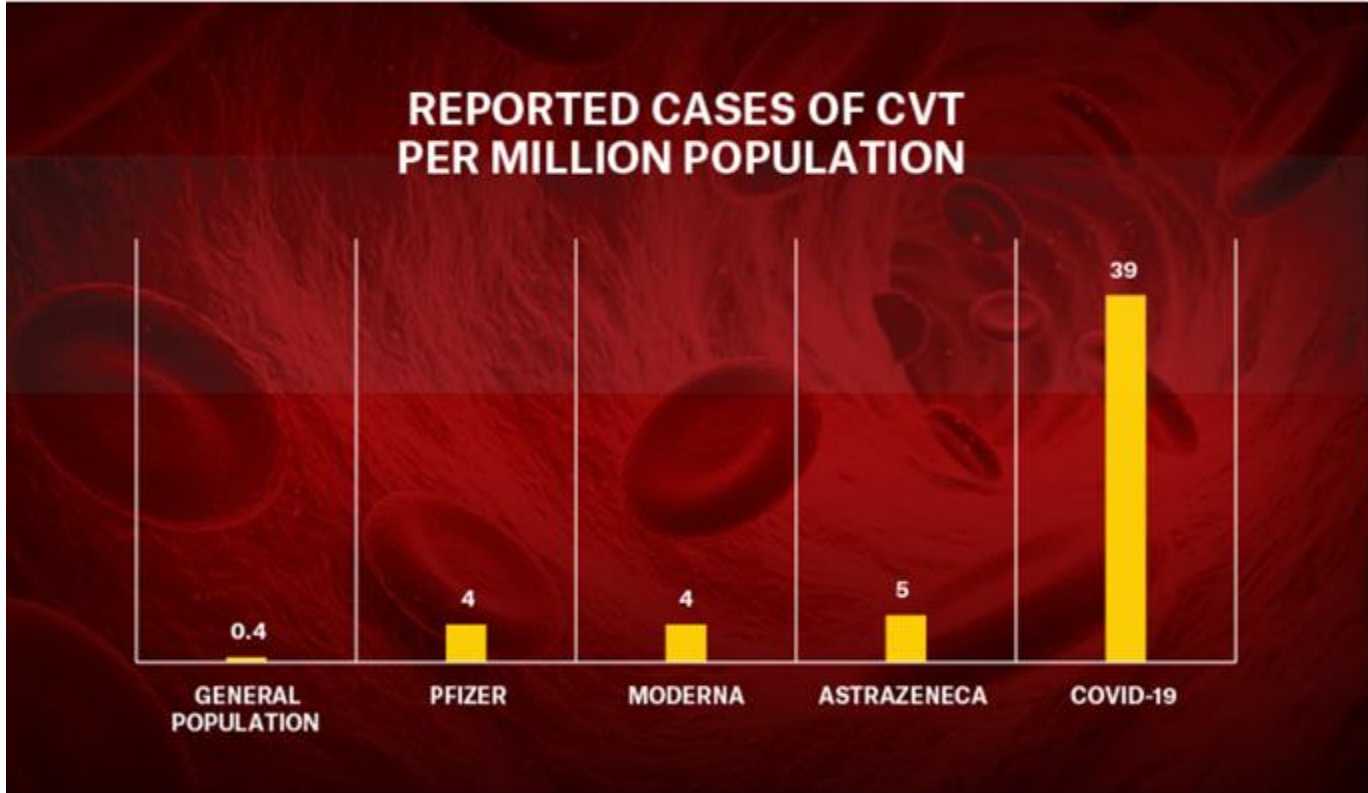


# General Practice Covid Vaccine Clinic Processes

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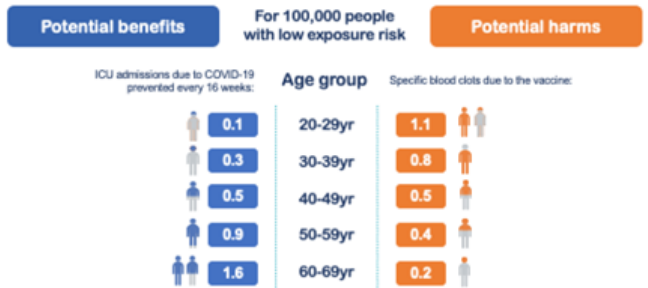






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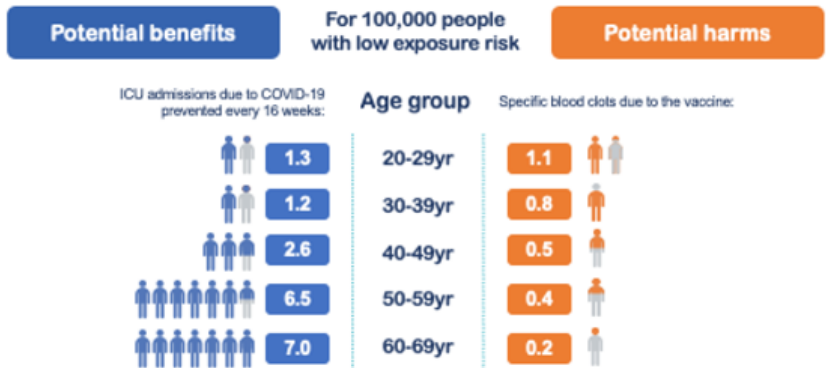
### Weighing up the potential benefits and harms of the Astra-Zeneca COVID-19 vaccine



In Scenario 1, the benefits of vaccination with AstraZeneca in preventing severe COVID-19 outweigh harms from TTS in people aged 50 years and over. This is based on a scenario of low level of exposure to COVID-19, at 29 people per 100,000 overall in a 16-week period.

### COVID-19 disease requiring ICU admission (in a 16 week period)

### Weighing up the potential benefits and harms of the Astra-Zeneca COVID-19 vaccine



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### Should I have the COVID-19 AstraZeneca vaccine?

A COVID-19 vaccine was developed by AstraZeneca™ and Oxford University. It is approved for use in Australia. This leaflet answers some questions about the AstraZeneca vaccine. It is meant for use during a visit with your health professional. It is based on the latest research and will be updated as necessary. There is more detailed information at [www.health.gov.au](http://www.health.gov.au)

#### What is involved in getting the AstraZeneca vaccine?

Getting the AstraZeneca vaccine involves having an injection in your arm two times, about 12 weeks apart. The person giving the vaccine must record it on the Australian Immunisation Register. You can access your immunisation record through Medicare, myGov, or your GP.

#### What are your options?

You can't usually choose which COVID-19 vaccine you are offered. If you are offered the AstraZeneca vaccine, you can choose to have it or not have it. It is safe to have the vaccine if you have had COVID-19 and it may make you less likely to get it again.

#### Who should not have the AstraZeneca vaccine?

You should NOT have the AstraZeneca vaccine if you:

- are currently unwell, especially if you have a fever,
- are under 18 years (this may change once there is more research),
- have had another vaccine (for example, the flu shot) in the past two weeks,
- have had allergen immunotherapy or venom immunotherapy injections in the past 48 hours,
- have a history of heparin-induced thrombocytopenia syndrome (HITS), or
- have a history of cerebral venous sinus thrombosis (CVST)

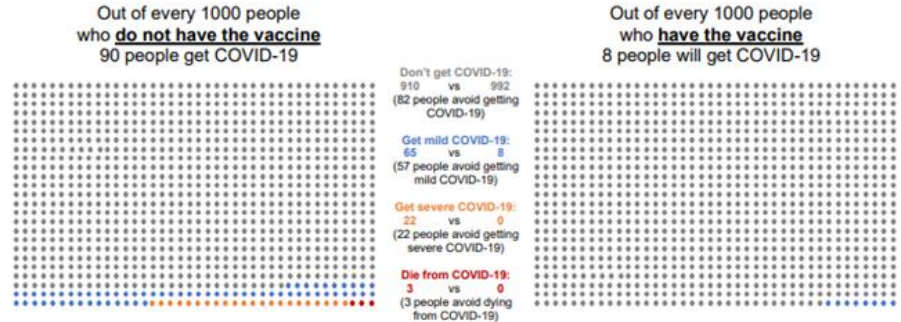
If you are under 50 years, the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is preferred. If the Pfizer vaccine is not available, you may wish to talk with your doctor about whether to have the AstraZeneca vaccine.

#### About this leaflet

This leaflet was prepared by Professor Lyndal Trevena from the 'Ask Share Know' (ASK) NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence. It is based on the following research paper: Voysey M et al. Safety and efficacy of the ChAdOx1 nCoV-19 vaccine (AZD1222) against SARS-CoV-2: an interim analysis of four randomised controlled trials in Brazil, South Africa, and the UK. *The Lancet* 2021; 397:96-111  
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### What are the benefits of the AstraZeneca vaccine?

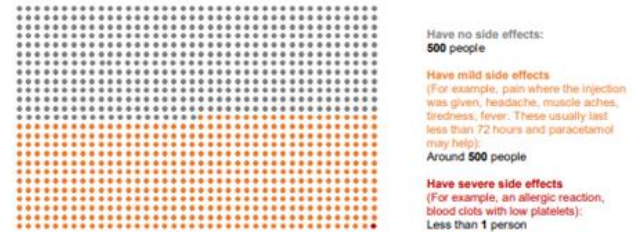
The benefits of vaccines depend on how much COVID-19 there is in Australia. We can never be sure about the size of future COVID-19 outbreaks. The numbers below give an idea of the benefits of the AstraZeneca vaccine when there is a large outbreak (similar to the USA in 2020).



### What are the side effects of the AstraZeneca vaccine?

The numbers below give an idea of the side effects of the AstraZeneca vaccine.

#### Out of every 1000 people who **have the vaccine** around 500 people will have side effects



## Covid-19 Update

May 2021

### **Covid-19 Vaccinations**

As at 3 May, as per Government directives, we are offering the AstraZeneca vaccine for anyone 50 and over or meets the following criteria: Healthcare worker, persons with underlying medical conditions and critical and high risk workers.

Due to recent government information re potential blood clot issues, our practice will no longer be offering the Covid-19 AstraZeneca vaccines to anyone under 50.

Your doctor will be in touch if they determine you are eligible for phase 1B. If you believe you are eligible please mention this at your next appointment.

### **Feeling unwell?**

If you are suffering from the following, **you must not enter our practice:**



Book a Telehealth appointment in the first instance or phone Reception from outside the practice and we will let you know what to do.

To help keep our practice safe for our patients and our team, do not enter if you or someone with you is unwell or suffering from a possible respiratory illness.

## CORONAVIRUS / COVID-19 INFORMATION FOR PATIENTS

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The COVID-19 vaccination eligibility checker is a questionnaire that can help with understanding when the vaccine will be available to you.

Visit <https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/eligibility>

[Covid Consent Form](#)[Collated Information  
for Patients](#)[Covid Myth Busters](#)

### APPOINTMENTS

**Currently practice consultations are conducted either by a bulk-billed phone or video consultation (Telehealth) or a face to face visit if well.**

Face to face visits can be booked online or through Reception if you are unsure what type of appointment you need so we can book you appropriately.

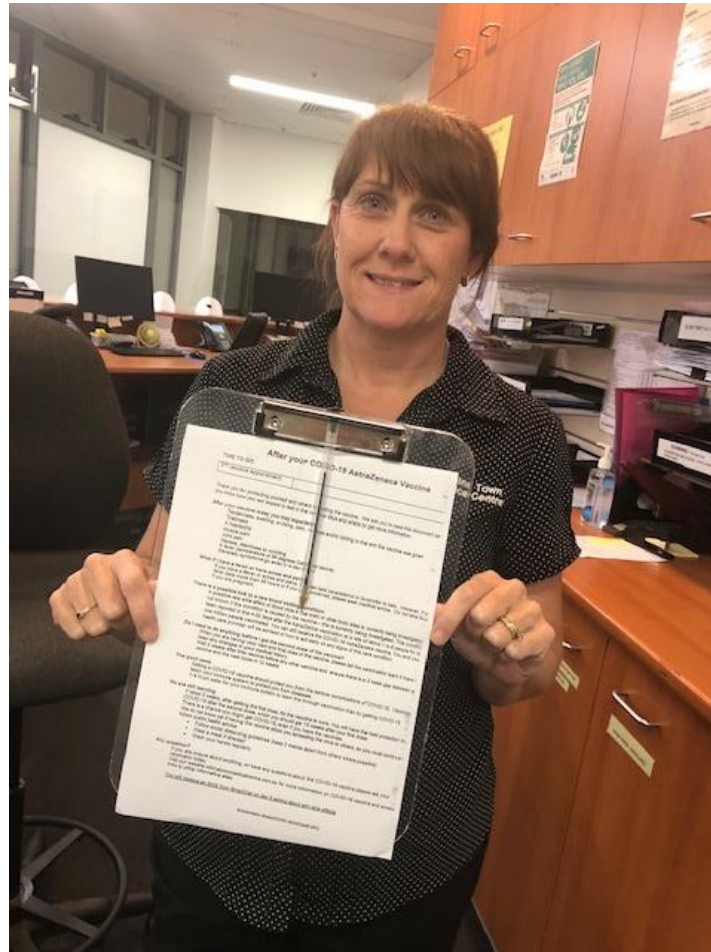
If you have a valid Medicare card and have seen a GP at our practice in the previous 12 months, feel free to book a Telehealth consultation online. For a smooth consultation aim to book with your usual GP.

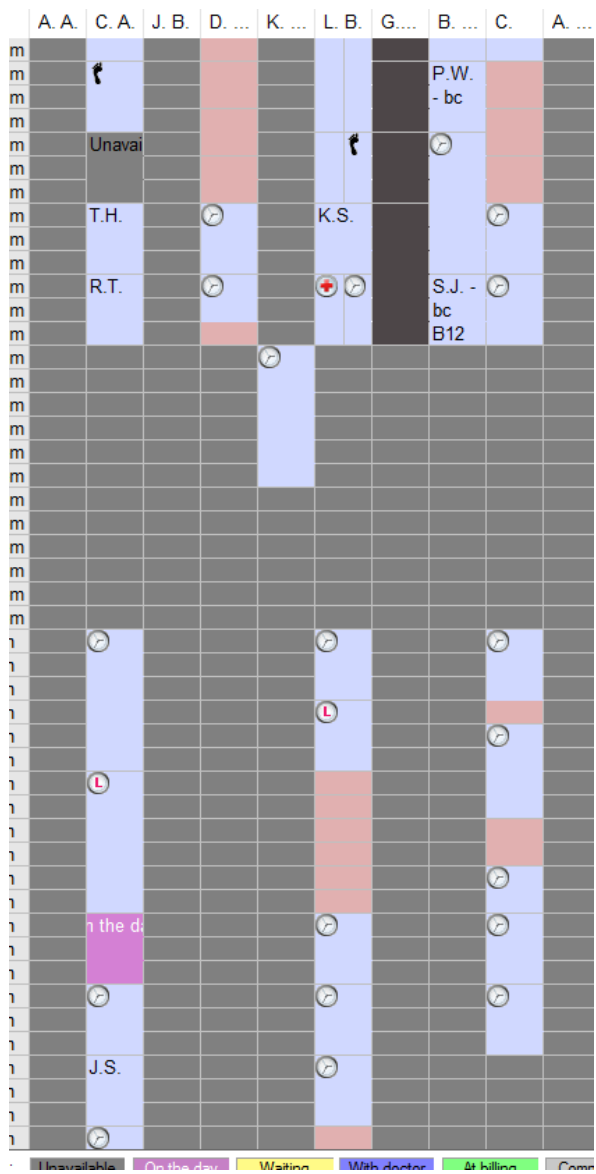
Please read our signs before entry as this information is often updated.

**Fees:** Telehealth services are generally bulk-billed (if it is a Medicare allowed service). You may be asked to attend the practice if you are well and Telehealth is not appropriate for your situation.



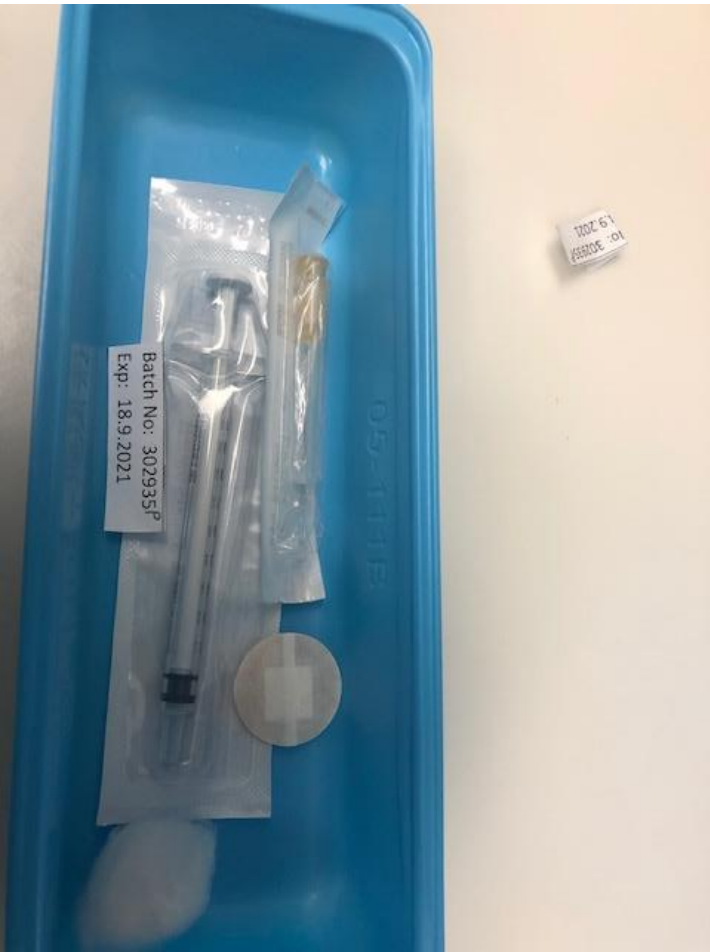
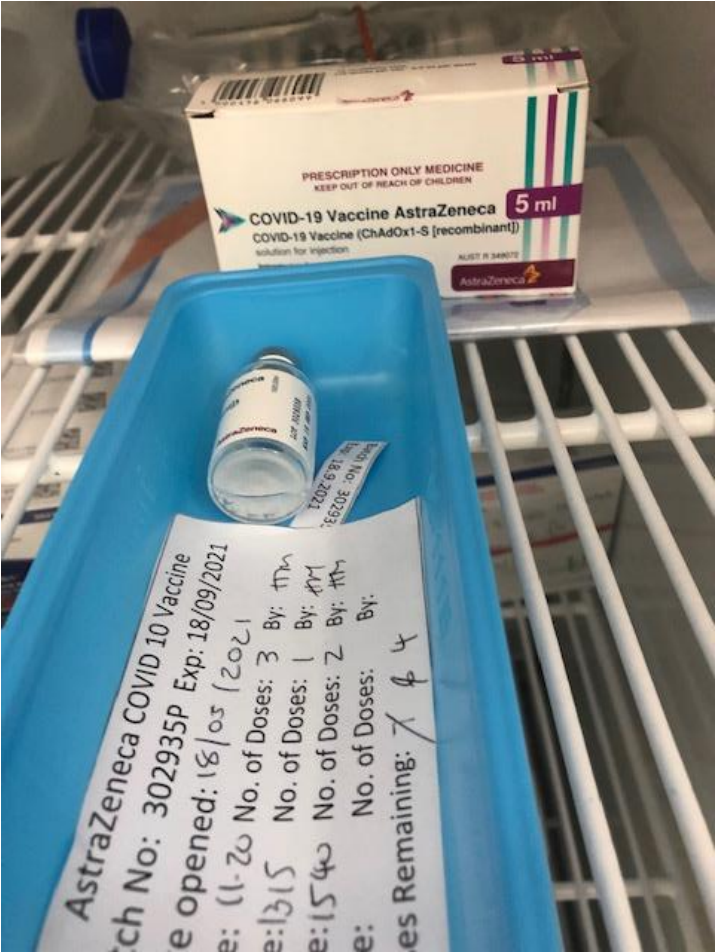
# GP TEAMWORK





Unavailable
On the day
Waiting
With doctor
At billing
Completed

# BATCH NO



## CONSENT FORM for COVID-19 vaccination

### CONSENT TO RECEIVE COVID-19 VACCINE:

- I confirm I have received and understood information provided to me on the Covid-19 vaccination
- I confirm none of the conditions below apply, or I have discussed these and/or any other special circumstances with my regular health care provider or vaccination service provider.
- I agree to receive a course of Covid-19 vaccine (two doses of the same vaccine)

Name	
Signature	
Date	

I am the patient's legal guardian or legal substitute decision-maker and agree to Covid-19 vaccination of above patient.

Name	
Signature	
Date	

### ABOUT THE COVID-19 VACCINE

People who have a COVID-19 vaccination have a much lower chance of getting sick from the disease called COVID-19.

The COVID-19 vaccination is free. You choose to have the vaccination or not

To be vaccinated you will get a needle in your arm. You need to have the vaccination two times on different days. There are different brands of vaccine. You need to have the same brand of vaccine both times. The person giving you your vaccination will tell you when you need to have the 2<sup>nd</sup> vaccination (normally 12 weeks after your 1<sup>st</sup>).

Medical experts have studied COVID-19 vaccines to make sure they are safe. Most side effects are mild and last 1-2 days. As with vaccines or medicine, there may be rare and/or unknown side effects.

There is a possible link to a rare blood clotting condition:

A possible rare side effect of blood clots in the brain or other body sites is currently being investigated. It is not known if this condition is caused by the vaccine – this is currently being investigated. This condition has been reported in the 4-20 days after the AstraZeneca vaccination at a rate of about 1 to 8 people for every one million people vaccinated. You can still receive the AstraZeneca vaccine. You and your health care provider will be advised of how to act early on any signs of this rare condition.

You can tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effects like a sore arm, headache, fever or something else. If you have a side effect which worries you, please call your doctor. You may be contacted within the week after receiving the vaccine to see how you are feeling after vaccination.

- Some people may still get COVID-19 after vaccination. You must still follow public health precautions as required in your state or territory to stop the spread of COVID-19 including:
- Keep your distance – stay at least 1.5 metres away from other people
- Washing your hand often with soap and water, or use hand sanitiser
- Wear a mask, if your state or territory has advised you should
- Stay home if you are unwell with cold or flu-like symptoms and arrange to get a COVID-19 test

**PLEASE TURN OVER**

Vaccination providers record all vaccinations on the Australian Immunisation Register, as required by Australian Law. You can view your vaccination record online through your:

- Medicare account
- MyGov account
- MyHealthRecord account

### HOW IS THE INFORMATION YOU PROVIDE AT YOUR APPOINTMENT USED

Information on how your personal details are collected, stored and used can be found here:

<https://www.health.gov.au/covid19-vaccines>

Our practice uses SmartVax to track any reactions – please expect a text a few days after your vaccination

### ON THE DAY YOU RECEIVE YOUR VACCINE

Before you get vaccinated, tell the person giving you the vaccination if you:

- Have any allergies, particularly anaphylaxis (a severe allergic reaction). An allergy is when you come near or in contact with something and your body reacts to it and you get sick very quickly. This may include things like an itchy rash, your tongue getting bigger, your breathing getting faster, you wheeze or your heart beats faster.
- If you have an Epi Pen or have had one before
- If you are immunocompromised. This means you have a weakened immune system that may make it harder for you to fight infections and other diseases. Sometimes a disease like diabetes or cancer can cause this or certain medicines or treatments you take, such as medicine for cancer.

YES	NO	Do you have any serious allergies, particularly anaphylaxis, to anything, carry or have been prescribed an adrenaline auto-injector (EpiPen)
		Have you had an allergic reaction after being vaccinated before?
		Do you have a mast cell disorder?
		Have you had COVID-19 before?
		Do you have a bleeding disorder
		Do you take any medicine to thin your blood (an anticoagulant therapy)?
		Do you have a weakened immune system (immunocompromised)?
		Are you pregnant (having a baby) or think you might be pregnant?
		Are you planning on getting pregnant?
		Are you breastfeeding?
		Have you been sick with a cough, sore throat, fever or feeling sick in another way?
		Have you had a Covid-19 vaccination before?
		Have you received any other vaccination in the last 14 days?
		Have you had cerebral venous sinus thrombosis (a type of brain clot) in the past?
		Have you had heparin-induced thrombocytopenia (a rare reaction to heparin treatment) in the past?

**Please talk to your doctor if you have any questions or concerns before getting your Covid-19 vaccination**

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# After your COVID-19 AstraZeneca Vaccine

## TIME YOU CAN GO:

2 <sup>nd</sup> vaccine appointment:	
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Thank you for protecting yourself and others by getting the vaccine. We ask you to read this document carefully, so you know how you can expect to feel in the next few days and where to get more information.

### After your vaccine today you may experience:

Tenderness, swelling, bruising, pain, redness and/or itching in the arm the vaccine was given  
Tiredness  
A headache  
Muscle pain  
Joint pain  
Nausea, diarrhoea or vomiting  
A fever (temperature of 38 degrees Celsius or above).  
Generally symptoms go away in a day or two

### What if I have a fever or have aches and pains?

If you have a fever or aches and pains, you can take paracetamol or ibuprofen to help. However, if your fever lasts more than 48 hours or if you are concerned, please seek medical advice. Do not take ibuprofen if you are pregnant.

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### Do I need to do anything before I get the second dose of the vaccine?

When you are having your next and final dose of the vaccine, please tell the vaccination team if there have been any changes in your medical history. Please wait 2-3 weeks after this vaccine before any other vaccine and ensure there is a 2-3 week gap between any vaccine and the next dose in 12 weeks

### The good news

Getting a COVID-19 vaccine should protect you from the serious complications of COVID-19.  
Vaccines teach your immune system to protect you from diseases.  
It is much safer for your immune system to learn this through vaccination than by getting COVID-19.

### We are still learning

It takes 3 weeks, after getting the first dose, for the vaccine to work. You will have the best protection from COVID-19 after the second dose, which you should get 12 weeks after your first dose.

There is a chance you might get COVID-19, even if you have the vaccines.

We do not know yet if having the vaccine stops you spreading the virus to others, so you must continue to follow public health advice:

- Follow social distancing guidelines (keep 2 metres apart from others where possible)
- Wear a mask if directed
- Wash your hands regularly.

### Question's?

If you are unsure about anything, or have any questions about the COVID-19 vaccine please ask your vaccinator today. You can visit our website for more information on COVID-19 and access links to other informative sites

**Please expect an SMS from SmartVax on day 3, 8 and 42** asking if you experienced any side effects.



## **Attendance for Covid-19 Dose 1 vaccine (Phase 1B patient)**

Patient attends for Astra Zenica COVID 19 Vaccination

Patient dob and address confirmed.

Eligibility for 1B roll out confirmed

Benefits of COVID-19 vaccination discussed

Consent form completed and questions answered

Advised to continue social distancing, hand washing and infection control as still possible to become infected with COVID-19 and remain asymptomatic while still transmitting the virus

Potential adverse reactions discussed along with reporting process of any adverse reactions (information letter given)

No history of reaction to previous vaccines

Has patient had anaphylaxis reaction to any allergen? NO

*If yes, do they have an Epipen?*

No febrile illness currently

Have not received any vaccine in the last 2 weeks

They have not received any previous COVID-19 vaccination

Appointment made for 12 weeks and reminder for 13 weeks put in.

Patient advised to wait for 15minutes afterward

Given Post Vaccination handout

1B



# Primary Sense Reports

GPs - Important clinical information about your patients are in most of these reports.

Select a report

## Patient Lists



Pregnant and Vaccinations



Health Assessments



Patients with Moderate Complexity (level 3)



Benzodiazepine in substance misuse



Chronic Lung Disease and Asthma



Haemochromatosis



Patients with High Complexity (5 and 4)



Cardiovascular Disease Risk Factors



Diabetes Mellitus



**COVID-19 Vulnerable Patients**

## Practice/PHN Reports



Characteristics of the Practice Patient Population



Summary Report of Practice Improvements



Accreditation



Your Practice Data Quality



Characteristics of the PHN patient population

## PIP QI



PIP QI Incentive – Quality Improvement Measures



Patients booked in with missing PIP QI measures

## Primary Sense Information

