




COVID-19 vaccination prevents you from becoming very sick if you catch COVID-19. Getting vaccinated is the best way to keep you, your family, friends and the community safe.

Primary vaccine course advice	If you have risk factors for severe COVID-19	If you don't have risk factors for severe COVID-19
6 months to 4 years	A 3-dose primary course is recommended *	Not recommended
5 years and over	A 3-dose primary course is recommended	A 2-dose primary course is recommended


*3 primary doses are recommended for all people aged 6 months or older with **severe immunocompromise**

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For most people, a primary vaccination course consists of 2 doses. A third primary dose may be recommended for people aged 6 months or older with severe immunocompromise, weak immune system, disability or complex and/or multiple health conditions.
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The recommended interval between doses will depend on the type of vaccine used and your age group.
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For people aged 12 and older, a protein-based vaccine called Nuvaxoid is available as an alternative to the more commonly used mRNA vaccines, but this is not preferred. Your doctor or immunisation provider can advise you on which vaccine you need for your primary course.



Experiencing symptoms?

Use healthdirect's Symptom Checker to get advice on what to do next.

healthdirect.gov.au/symptom-checker



Book your COVID vaccination

Use healthdirect's Service Finder to book your next vaccination.

healthdirect.gov.au/australian-health-services