

Routine co-administration of a COVID-19 vaccine on the same day as **any other** vaccine is not recommended.

There should be a minimum interval of 7 days between administration of a COVID-19 vaccine and any other vaccine.

FREE INFLUENZA VACCINE IS AVAILABLE FOR THE FOLLOWING GROUPS

- All Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged 6 months and older
- All children aged 6 months to less than 5 years of age
- Pregnant women (during any stage of pregnancy)
- People medically at risk aged 6 months and older (see table below)
- All people aged 65 years and older

2021 INFLUENZA VACCINES

AGE GROUP	Fluarix Tetra 0.5mL (GSK)	Vaxigrip Tetra 0.5mL (Sanofi)	Afluria Quad 0.5mL (Seqirus)	Fluad Quad 0.5mL (Seqirus)	Comments
6 MONTHS TO LESS THAN 5 YEARS	✓				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaccines are not recommended for infants less than 6 months of age. • Children aged 6 months to less than 9 years receiving the influenza vaccine for the first time require two doses at least 4 weeks apart.
5 YEARS TO LESS THAN 65 YEARS		✓	✓		
65 YEARS AND OLDER				✓	

MEDICAL RISK FACTORS

Cardiac Disease

- Cyanotic congenital heart disease
- Congestive heart failure
- Coronary artery disease

Chronic Respiratory Conditions

- Bronchiectasis
- Cystic fibrosis
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- Chronic emphysema
- Severe asthma
- Suppurative lung disease

Chronic Neurological Conditions

- Hereditary and degenerative central nervous system diseases (including multiple sclerosis)
- Spinal cord injuries
- Seizure disorders
- Neuromuscular disorders

Other at Risk Conditions

- Immunocompromised due to disease or treatment (e.g. malignancy, transplantation and/or chronic steroid use)
- Functional or anatomical asplenia
- HIV infection
- Diabetes
- Chronic metabolic disorders
- Chronic renal failure
- Haemoglobinopathies
- Long-term aspirin therapy in children aged 6 months to 10 years

IMPORTANT: It is mandatory that all vaccination providers report all administered influenza vaccinations to the Australian Immunisation Register.

Refer to:

- The online edition of the Australian Immunisation Handbook (AIH) for advice on persons who are strongly recommended to receive annual influenza vaccination but not eligible for National Immunisation Program (NIP) funded influenza vaccines.
- The ATAGI Statement Advice on the relative timing of administering influenza and COVID-19 vaccines in 2021 <https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/covid-19-vaccination-atagi-advice-on-influenza-and-covid-19-vaccines>
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