



Australian Government

## COVID-19 VACCINATION

### Consent form for COVID-19 vaccination (Comirnaty Pfizer vaccine)

Before completing this form make sure you have read the information sheet on the vaccine you will be receiving

#### About COVID-19 vaccination

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

There are two brands of vaccine in use in Australia. Both are effective and safe. Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccine is preferred over COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca for adults under 60 years of age.

You need to have two doses of the same brand of vaccine. The person giving you your vaccination will tell you when you need to have the second vaccination.

Medical experts have studied COVID-19 vaccines to make sure they are safe. Most side effects are mild. They may start on the day of vaccination and last for around 1-2 days. As with any vaccine or medicine, there may be rare and/or unknown side effects.

A very rare side effect of blood clotting (thrombosis) with low blood platelet levels (thrombocytopenia) has been reported following vaccination with the COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca. This is not seen after Comirnaty (Pfizer) vaccine

Tell your healthcare provider if you have any side effects after vaccination that you are worried about.

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 hands often with soap and water, or use hand sanitiser
- wear a mask
- stay home if you are unwell with cold or flu-like symptoms, and arrange to get a COVID-19 test

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