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Dear Home Care Package Client

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**Re: Covid-19 vaccinations and restrictions**

As you all know at the moment, we're once again experiencing another lockdown due to the Delta variant of the Coronavirus unfortunately moving much faster than anyone had anticipated.

As the situation evolves in Victoria, just as it has so rapidly in NSW, I'd like to remind every client that the best defence we all have against getting seriously ill from this virus, is to **get your Covid-19 vaccine**.

I understand some of you may have concerns and questions that relate to your own personal health, and of course these should be discussed with your GP first, to ensure you are making the right choice for you.

In the meantime, please continue to follow all Government restrictions and rules, and don't forget to monitor all exposure sites daily via this link: [www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/exposure-sites](http://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/exposure-sites) If you would like staff to help you access the list, please do not hesitate to ask.

Also, keep in mind that due to this constantly changing situation, there may be times when your usual carer may not be able to attend / visit you if they, or a close contact of theirs has attended an exposure site. We sincerely appreciate your understanding should your schedule need to change.

To ensure we all remain as safe as possible, please don't forget to:

- Practise good hygiene by regularly and thoroughly washing your hands
- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or your elbow
- Always wear a fitted mask when you are away from home
- Get tested at the first sign of illness



For the latest Government information call the Coronavirus hotline on 1800 675 398 or visit: [www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorias-restriction-levels-covid-19](http://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/victorias-restriction-levels-covid-19)

Thank you again for your ongoing support. Please remember, your Case Manager is there for you to talk to if you have any questions. We will get through this together.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bryan Lipmann', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Bryan Lipmann AM  
CEO / Founder

*Cc: Community Aged Care Staff*



## Have a question about the COVID-19 vaccines?

We encourage you to use credible sources of information to help you make an informed choice about vaccination.



The “is it true” webpage will help answer some common questions about COVID-19 vaccines.

For more specific questions about the COVID-19 vaccines, speak to your health professional.

### Further contacts

[www.australia.gov.au](http://www.australia.gov.au)

**National Coronavirus Helpline:**  
1800 020 080

If you need information in a language other than English, call the **Translating and Interpreting Service** (TIS) on 131 450

People with disability, their families and carers can contact the **Disability Gateway Helpline:** 1800 643 787 or visit [www.disabilitygateway.gov.au](http://www.disabilitygateway.gov.au)

If you are deaf, or have a hearing or speech impairment, you can call the **National Relay Service** on 133 677



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## ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE YOUR COVID-19 VACCINATION?

Check your eligibility and book in now



**COVID-19**  
VACCINATION

BE COVIDSAFE

# WE'RE NOT SAFE UNTIL WE'RE ALL SAFE

Every vaccinated person helps protect the health of themselves, their family, friends and community — especially older Australians, who are at most risk of severe illness and possibly death from COVID-19.

Vaccination provides strong and sustained protection against severe COVID-19, and reduces the chance of you passing the virus to others.

All COVID-19 vaccines are carefully assessed by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA), and independent clinical experts to ensure they are effective and meet Australia's high quality standards.

To ensure the best protection against severe illness from COVID-19, it is important that everyone receives two doses.

## Check if you're eligible

To find out if you are currently eligible for COVID-19 vaccination, visit [australia.gov.au](https://australia.gov.au) and click on the eligibility checker and answer some simple questions.



## Make a booking

If you are eligible now, book in for your appointment at a clinic that's convenient for you.

You will be able to view vaccination locations by putting in your postcode or town.

You can view the clinics either by the closest location to you, or by the earliest appointment available. If you can't find a clinic or make a booking that suits you, please check back again later. New clinics and appointments are being added all the time.

Some clinics take online bookings, others may only take bookings over the phone. The Eligibility Checker and Vaccine Clinic Finder will give you the information you need to make a booking. You may have to go to your state or territory health website to book in.

## Not yet eligible? Register your interest

If you're not currently eligible, you can register your details and we will contact you when you do become eligible.

## Don't forget to book your second dose

To ensure the best protection against COVID-19, don't forget to book your second dose appointment.

## Where the vaccine will be available

Vaccines are available at a number of locations near you, including:

- Commonwealth Vaccination Clinics
- participating general practices
- Aboriginal Controlled Community Health Services
- state-run vaccination clinics, and
- pharmacies in some states and territories.

## Financial help

Services Australia has financial help if you're affected by COVID-19. The payment you may be able to get depends on your situation.

For more information about what payments you may be eligible for and how to claim go to [servicesaustralia.gov.au/COVID19](https://servicesaustralia.gov.au/COVID19)