

A message from the ACT Chief Health Officer

Dr Kerry Coleman



Friday 28 May 2021

Dear colleagues

Important COVID-19 vaccination information for people with disability, disability support staff, volunteers and carers

It is incredibly important that people book in for their COVID-19 vaccination as soon as they become eligible. All people with disability, disability support staff, volunteers and carers are eligible to get the COVID-19 vaccine right now. People with disability are welcome to book an appointment at the ACT Government vaccination clinics at any time.

I'm pleased to let you know that the ACT Government also has designated appointment times at the new [Access and Sensory clinic](#) within the Garran COVID-19 mass vaccination clinic. The clinic is available for people with disability and their support staff, volunteers or carer/s attending the appointment with them.

The Access and Sensory clinic offer:

- a quieter space
- longer appointment times
- a separate entrance and exit with accessibility for wheelchairs and other mobility equipment
- vaccinations for support staff, volunteers or carers attending the appointment at the same time as the person with disability, and
- no waiting area so community members can directly enter the clinic.

Access and Sensory clinic times are available on Tuesdays (8am to 12pm) and Thursdays (2pm to 5pm). Bookings can be made by calling the ACT Government COVID-19 Vaccination Line on 025124 7700. Let our booking team know of any additional assistance or support needed for the appointment.

Getting vaccinated against COVID-19 is a safe and effective way to protect people from becoming very sick if you catch COVID-19. There are also emerging reports that suggest those who have had the COVID-19 vaccine are less likely to transmit the virus to others.

Learn more
covid19.act.gov.au/vaccine



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As I've mentioned above, all carers are eligible for COVID-19 vaccination. It is important for carers to get vaccinated, not only to protect themselves but to protect those they care for.

We want to make it simple for carers to get vaccinated.

Carers aged under 50 years of age can get vaccinated anytime at the Garran COVID-19 mass vaccination clinic. If a carer is aged 50 years and over, they can also attend the Garran clinic with the person that they care for and be vaccinated at the same time. This recognises the important role of carers, and provides an opportunity for the person with disability and their carer to be vaccinated together.

I encourage you to read more about more about the Access and Sensory clinic by visiting covid19.act.gov.au/disability

I look forward to bringing you another update from the ACT Government's COVID-19 vaccination program soon.

Yours sincerely

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