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## Mandatory vaccination for additional healthcare workers

The [Emergency Management \(Healthcare Setting Workers Vaccination No 2\) \(COVID-19\) Direction 2021](#) came into effect at 4.50pm 20 October 2021.

This Direction expands the COVID-19 vaccination requirements to cover people working in:

- primary community healthcare facilities (including general practice clinics, dental clinics, private nurse offices);
- pharmacies;
- specialist outpatient facilities (including consulting suites of private medical specialists, including reproductive services, and any setting provided by allied health professionals);
- private pathology centres;
- private radiology centres (including breast screening centre);
- defence health settings (including Garrison health centres, deployed and exercise health support and clinical health training);
- facilities for the collection, manufacture and distribution of blood and biological products;
- Aboriginal community controlled health services;
- the Department for Health and Wellbeing, the Commission on Excellence and Innovation in Health and Wellbeing SA.

People working in these additional healthcare settings must be vaccinated against COVID-19 with a TGA approved vaccine, with the first dose being completed by 8 November 2021.

The second dose for all workers covered under this Direction must be completed within the interval recommended by ATAGI.

Medical exemptions from mandatory vaccination requirements can be requested by a legally qualified medical practitioner, in accordance with the guideline published by the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation available at [www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/atagi-expanded-guidance-on-temporary-medical-exemptions-for-covid-19-vaccines](http://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/atagi-expanded-guidance-on-temporary-medical-exemptions-for-covid-19-vaccines).

More information, including frequently asked questions (available soon) and the Immunisation Exemption Application Form, available at [www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/emergency-declarations/healthcare-setting-workers-vaccination](http://www.covid-19.sa.gov.au/emergency-declarations/healthcare-setting-workers-vaccination).

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