



Information for NSW community leaders

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Current COVID-19 outbreak

Where can I find accurate information about the current COVID-19 outbreak?

You can find accurate up-to-date information about the current COVID-19 outbreak in NSW on the NSW Health website: <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/covid-19> and the NSW Government website: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19>.

You can also follow NSW Health on Facebook to stay up to date:

www.facebook.com/NewSouthWalesHealth

Where can I find information about case locations near me?

New and updated COVID-19 case locations are being added to the NSW Government website regularly: www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/latest-news-and-updates. Please keep checking the website regularly and follow the relevant health advice if you have attended a venue of concern or travelled on a public transport route of concern.

What should I do if I have visited a venue of concern or travelled on a public transport route of concern?

If you have attended a venue of concern or travelled on a public transport route of concern, please follow the relevant health advice for testing and self-isolation. If you are identified as a close contact, NSW Health will also be in touch with you to provide further information about your situation and explain what you and your household need to do. To keep yourself, your loved ones and the community safe, please follow the directions of NSW Health.

Where can I find the latest information about the stay at home order for Greater Sydney and other rules in NSW?

For the latest rules for Greater Sydney and the rest of NSW, please visit the NSW Government website: www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/greater-sydney. For translated information about the stay at home order, please visit the NSW Health website: www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/translated/topic-stay-at-home.

Is it safe to leave home to get tested?

Yes, it is safe to leave your home to get a COVID-19 test. It is very important that you get tested if you have any COVID-19 symptoms, no matter how mild, or if you have been identified as a close or casual contact of someone with COVID-19. Testing is free, quick and easy. Close contacts, elderly people and people with disability are being prioritised at COVID-19 testing clinics so they do not have to wait. There are procedures in place at COVID-19 testing clinics to make sure you are safe. There are more than 350 testing locations in NSW. Most people in NSW get their test result within 24 hours.

What are the latest rules for places of worship, including funerals and weddings?

For the latest information about the rules for places of worship, including for weddings and funerals, please visit the NSW Government website: www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/rules/greater-sydney#places-of-worship.

Where can I find translated COVID-19 resources?

To find COVID-19 resources in your language, please visit the NSW Health website: www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/languages.

Translated information on COVID-19 vaccines is available in 63 languages on the Australian Government Department of Health website: www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/covid-19-vaccine-information-in-your-language

Where can I find information for myself or loved ones who are feeling stressed or anxious?

Your mental wellbeing is important. If you're feeling anxious or stressed, you're not alone. There are services that can support you through these difficult times. Please visit the NSW Government website for a list of services: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/health-and-wellbeing/your-mental-wellbeing>.

COVID-19 vaccination

Where can I find accurate information about COVID-19 vaccination?

Remember to always use trusted sources for information about COVID-19 vaccines and vaccination. For the latest information about COVID-19 vaccination in NSW, please visit the NSW Health website: www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/vaccine/Pages/community.

Translated information is available in 63 languages on the Australian Government Department of Health website: www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/covid-19-vaccines/covid-19-vaccine-information-in-your-language

How can I book a COVID-19 vaccination appointment?

To book an appointment at a COVID-19 vaccination location near you, visit the Australian Government eligibility checker: covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/eligibility. Please see the guide to using the eligibility checker below.

You can also call the National Coronavirus and COVID-19 vaccines Helpline on 1800 020 080 for help. For a free telephone interpreter call 131 450 (TIS), say the language you need in English and ask the interpreter to connect you to the COVID-19 vaccine helpline.

Is it safe to get my second dose of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine?

If you have had your first dose of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine, it is important that you get the second dose so you are protected. People who have had the first dose of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine without any serious adverse effects can confidently receive the second dose, including adults under 60 years old.

Can older people be vaccinated at home instead of going to a vaccination clinic?

People who are homebound in aged care and residential care facilities will be vaccinated by the Australian Government's COVID-19 vaccination team. If you or someone you care for is unable to leave home and requires a home visit, please speak to your GP about the options.

Is COVID-19 vaccination mandatory for aged care workers?

On 28 June 2021, the Prime Minister announced that all residential aged care workers must have had at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine by mid-September 2021.