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Operation COVID Shield

COVID-19 VACCINATION

ATAGI Advice on recommendations for key population groups for an additional COVID-19 vaccine winter dose from April 2022

Target Group	Recommendation for winter dose (second booster)	Comments/Information gaps/Next steps
65 years plus	Recommended	
Residents of aged care or disability care facilities	Recommended	Includes some individuals within this group who may be aged <65 years. For individuals with disability in group residential care facilities.
lmmunocompromised (≥16 years)	Recommended for severe immunocompromise*	This will be a 5 th dose as this group is recommended 3 primary doses
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people (≥50 years)	Recommended	
Individuals with medical conditions that may increase risk of COVID-19** (<65 years)	Not currently recommended. Remains under active consideration	Complete primary schedule. Promote first booster dose, if not already given. ATAGI will continue to evaluate additional evidence over the coming weeks.
Health care, aged care and disability care workers		Complete primary schedule. Promote first booster dose, if not already given. ATAGI will continue to evaluate additional evidence over the coming weeks. Maximise up to date vaccination of patients under care.
All others 16 - 64 years		Complete primary schedule. Promote first booster dose, if not already given. ATAGI will continue to evaluate additional evidence over the coming weeks.
All others 5 – 15 years		Complete primary schedule. ATAGI will evaluate additional evidence over coming weeks regarding first booster doses.

* as defined in the <u>ATAGI statement</u> on use of a 3rd primary dose of COVID-19 vaccine in individuals who are severely immunocompromised

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