



# Parent / Guardian Information on COVID-19 Vaccine Paediatric Pfizer

## About the paediatric Pfizer vaccine for children

Children aged 5 to 11 years are eligible for a COVID-19 **paediatric Pfizer** vaccine. This is to protect and prevent children from getting very sick from COVID-19.

The **vaccine cannot give your child COVID-19** as it does not contain live COVID-19 virus.

Your child will receive a lower dose formulation of the vaccine.

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### THIS VACCINE DOES NOT CONTAIN:

- ✗ Preservatives
- ✗ Human products
- ✗ Animal products
- ✗ Food, latex or gelatin

### BENEFITS

Most children who have had COVID-19 have mild sickness. Few become very unwell with COVID-19 and require hospitalisation.

The paediatric Pfizer vaccine has shown to reduce and prevent symptoms of COVID-19 in children.

Reducing COVID-19 among children can reduce others in the community getting sick, including those at home.

### SAFETY

The paediatric Pfizer vaccine is safe and has good efficacy for children aged 5 to 11 years.

The Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) and Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) approved the COVID-19 paediatric Pfizer vaccine for 5 to 11 year olds following recent clinical trials and safety of the COVID-19 vaccine demonstrated overseas.

### ELIGIBILITY

Children aged **5 to 11 years** are eligible for paediatric Pfizer.

Once a child turns 12 years of age, they will receive the adolescent / adult dose.

A COVID-19 booster dose is only available for adults aged 18 and over.

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