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Good Afternoon,

Please find attached the CVAX Taskforce Weekly Status Update for week ending 12 February 2021.  
Do not hesitate to reply if you have any questions

Kind regards  
Yvonne Li



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# QLD COVID-19 Vaccination Program Taskforce Weekly Status Report

Update as at 12 February 2021

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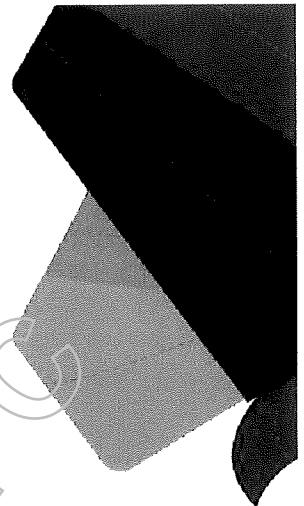
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# Program summary

Queensland Health are on track to commence vaccination of Phase 1 cohorts as supply is made available by the Commonwealth.

Update	Description
Summary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The QH Vaccination Program is continuing detailed planning to ensure that the six Pfizer hubs are ready by their Phase 1a launch dates. The launch of the Pfizer hubs will be phased across 3 weeks, with Gold Coast University Hospital to be the first hub to launch in the week commencing 22 February 2021.</li> <li>Regular meetings are being held with HHSS to discuss operational, financial and workforce support and planning for Phase 1b onwards.</li> <li>The main principles to planning are 1) to ensure that the people most at risk or exposed to COVID-19 are invited to be vaccinated first and 2) vaccines are not to be wasted (i.e. surplus vaccines at the end of the day to be used to vaccinate priority or non-priority patients).</li> <li>A funding submission has been developed to ensure sufficient funding to guarantee roll-out progression until bi-lateral discussions are resolved.</li> <li>A meeting with the Pfizer logistics team on 10 February 2021, estimated delivery of vaccines into Australia on 22 February 2021; the Pfizer logistics team indicated that this date was an estimate only, but that they were working to commit to this date. Assuming delivery is on schedule, the earliest date of the first vaccination in QLD is likely to be 24 February 2021. As such, planning will proceed on that basis.</li> </ul>
Highlights from last week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Ethical framework</b> – targeted consultation has been undertaken to inform a draft for wider consultation. The targeted consultation occurred with Dr [redacted] Health Consumers QLD and [redacted] QUT ethicist. It is anticipated that the framework will be finalised next week. The framework provides high level principles to guide prioritisation of vaccine doses and will be supported by a series of other key documents and protocols developed to assist in the implementation of Phase 1a of the roll-out.</li> <li><b>Phase 1a list</b> – the list of recipients to receive invitations for Phase 1a has been finalised. Recipients are those classified as “quarantine facility workers” as defined in the COVID-19 Testing Quarantine Facility Workers Direction (No 3) and include workers who deliver health services, personal services, security services, all front and back of house hotel and cleaning services, and passenger transport service, as well as and healthcare workers providing direct clinical care to COVID-19 positive individuals. Once these individuals have been vaccinated, vaccination should be offered to:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Healthcare workers in:                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COVID-19 / Infectious Disease Wards</li> <li>Emergency Departments</li> <li>Intensive Care Units</li> <li>Fever and respiratory clinics</li> </ul> </li> <li>Queensland Ambulance Service frontline responders</li> <li>Public and private (international) aeromedical retrieval teams</li> <li>Air and sea border security staff including relevant AFP and QPS staff</li> <li>Australian residents working in international aircrews</li> <li>Pathology staff, medical researchers and scientists working with SARS-CoV-2</li> <li>Marine pilots</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Queensland Implementation Plan</b> – the COVID-19 Vaccination Program Implementation Plan (Plan) outlines how the Australian COVID-19 Vaccination Policy will be operationalised in Queensland. The Policy describes the shared and separate responsibilities of the Australian, and State and Territory governments, as well as other key stakeholders. This has been finalised and provided to the Minister for signing.</li> </ul>

# Program summary (continued)

Queensland Health are on track to commence vaccination of Phase 1 cohorts as supply is made available by the Commonwealth.

Update	Description
<p>Highlights from last week (continued)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vaccination capacity &amp; capability</b> – approximately 30 providers with capability and capacity to deliver COVID-19 vaccination services have been short listed from the Expression of Interest process. Direct negotiations will be undertaken to establish contracts to deliver vaccinations at the end of March. HHSs can draw on these providers as needed.</li> <li>• <b>Code</b> – the Code, which supports the recent amendment to the <i>Health Drug and Poisons Regulations 1996</i> was circulated to HHS leads on Wednesday 10 February 2021 for feedback this week. The Program is in the process of finalising feedback with the aim to have the document completed early next week.</li> <li>• <b>Preparedness of Fridge / Freezers for Pfizer Hubs</b> – the taskforce worked through procurement and liaison with suppliers to finalise the requirement and details for the readiness of the sites for the planned roll-out.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– <u>Federal Government status</u> – confirmation that portable freezers being organised through Commonwealth will be available by early March 2021.</li> <li>– <u>State Government status</u> – delivery of Pfizer freezer to Gold Coast University Hospital expected by Wednesday 17 February 2021.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Pfizer vaccination protocol</b> – circulated to HHSs for their feedback, after which it can be finalised.</li> <li>• <b>Vaccination Command Centre</b> – preparation well underway and on track for launch Monday 15 February 2021. Finalising vaccination location assurance plan ready for the Gold Coast University Hospital Pfizer Hub. The taskforce visited Cairns Pfizer Hub on Friday 12 February. Planning is on track and the Cairns site will be ready for commencement in the week commencing 1 March.</li> <li>• <b>Independent Assessment of Readiness</b> – An independent assessment will be conducted for all Pfizer hubs prior to their relevant go-live dates, in accordance with the Queensland COVID-19 Vaccination Readiness Assurance Plan. An assessment of the Gold Coast University Hospital Pfizer Hub will take place next week.</li> <li>• <b>Sharing cross-jurisdictions and lessons learnt</b> – met with Victoria Health Department representatives to share rollout plans and strategy for invitations to eligible recipients. Met with Israel's Ministry of Health to understand lessons learned.</li> <li>• <b>Financials</b> – meeting with Pfizer HHSs to review their current planning and preliminary cost assumptions for Phase 1a and 1b. Initial work has commenced to review and build detailed draft budgets for workstreams. [Redacted]</li> </ul>
<p>Priorities for this week</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Preparation of Gold Coast hub for Day 1</b> – simulation testing of MS solution will be conducted. Independent Assurance Plan to be conducted. Taskforce to send a team to review and identify any potential gaps during the test and for when go live date.</li> <li>• <b>Fridges and freezers</b> – continue planning for the coordination and ordering of freezers for the AstraZeneca hubs.</li> <li>• <b>Phase 1a prioritisation</b> – invitations to phase 1a eligible workers to be finalised.</li> <li>• <b>Failure Mode Analysis</b> – need has been identified and will be a focus for next week.</li> </ul>

# Key messages & decisions

## Key messages / decisions for the week ending 12 February 2021

### Key messages

#### Key messages to the public:

- The Australian Government has identified and prioritised groups of people to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. The first people in Queensland to receive the vaccination are those who are at higher risk of getting COVID-19 or of severe illness if they contract the virus. If you are required to be tested frequently because of your daily work, then you will be in the highest priority groups within Phase 1a.
- People in Phase 1a will be notified by Queensland Health in the near future about when and where you can receive your vaccine.
- The Australian Government has advised that further details on Phase 1b eligibility will be provided soon.
- This vaccine effort is the greatest in global history and we only need to look overseas, to see a very different reality.
- We want to assure all Queenslanders, that everyone will have their time to receive the vaccine.
- When it comes to the COVID-19 vaccines, no testing phases has been skipped. Instead, some phases have been combined, or run at the same time as each other. Having these 'overlapping' time frames has helped test COVID-19 vaccines quickly and so they can become available, to save lives earlier.

### Key decisions

- **The highest priority for vaccination within Phase 1a are those who are required to undergo frequent tests for COVID-19, as part of their daily work routine.** For example, quarantine facility workers and healthcare workers are considered at highest risk and are tested on routine basis.
- Queensland Government will announce a **soft launch of Phase 1a** with the allocation of four trays of the Pfizer vaccine to Gold Coast University Hospital in the week commencing 22 February 2021, followed by the allocation of trays to other hubs as detailed below:
  - Week 1 commencing 22 February: GCUH (4 trays)
  - Week 2 commencing 1 March: RBWH (3 trays) and Cairns (1 tray)
  - Week 3 commencing 8 March: PAH (2 trays), Townsville (1 tray) and RBWH (1 tray)
  - Week 4 commencing 15 March: (8 trays) allocated across the 6 Pfizer hubs based on demand from the highest risk workers
- The QH Vaccination Program is continuing detailed planning to ensure that the six Pfizer hubs will be ready for roll out. An assurance process to support an informed decision regarding vaccination readiness of agreed Pfizer Hubs ahead of planned go-live timeframes ("**Independent Assessment of Readiness**") has been developed. Mater's OptiSim has been engaged, an independent contractor, to undertake readiness assessments. The approach is only to be taken if the HHSs considered it helpful for their planning and preparedness activities.
- Regular meetings are being held with HHSs to discuss operational, financial and workforce support and planning for Phase 1b onwards.
- The main principles to planning are 1) to ensure that the people most at risk or exposed to COVID are invited to be vaccinated first and 2) vaccines are not to be wasted (i.e. surplus vaccines at the end of the day to be used to vaccinate priority or non-priority patients).
- A funding submission has been developed to ensure sufficient funding to guarantee roll-out progression until bi-lateral discussions are resolved.
- A meeting with the Pfizer logistics team on 10 February 2021, confirmed delivery of vaccines into Australia will be on 22 February 2021, which they are unable to guarantee but are working on committing to. Assuming delivery is on schedule, the earliest date of the first vaccination in QLD is likely to be 24 February 2021. As such, planning will proceed on that basis.

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Good afternoon,

Please see attached the presentation for this afternoon's briefing with the Premier.

With thanks,

*Jasmina*

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# QLD COVID-19 Vaccination Program Premier's Briefing

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# QLD COVID-19 Vaccination Program

Program update as at 16 February

## Pfizer planning

- Pfizer vaccines have arrived in Sydney on Monday 15 February 2021. The vaccines are to be distributed to other States in the coming week.
- The launch of the Pfizer hubs will be phased across 3 weeks, with Gold Coast University Hospital to be the first hub to launch in the week commencing 22 February 2021. PAH will launch on Wednesday 24 February and Cairns on Friday 26 February 2021.
- Queensland has been allocated 8 trays in each of the first three weeks of the Program with 17 trays allocated in the week commencing 15 March. The proposed allocation for the Queensland Pfizer Hubs is outlined below.

Week commencing	GCUH	RBWH	CaRNs	PAH	TUH	SCUH	Total
22 February	4		1	3			8 trays
1 March		2	1	3	1	1	8 trays
8 March	2		1	3	1	1	8 trays
15 March	4	4	2	3	2	2	17 trays

## Multi-dose vials

- The approval by the Therapeutic Goods Administration of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine as a 6-dose vial and that dose allocations and modelling reflects this. The absence of low dead space syringes impacts on capacity to draw 6 doses from each vial. Until the supply of dead space syringes is assured and these are readily available and in widespread use, Queensland will only be accountable for a minimum of 5 doses per vial.



# QLD COVID-19 Vaccination Program

## Program update as at 16 February

### Phase 1a recipients

- The list of Phase 1a recipients are those classified as “quarantine facility workers” as defined in the *COVID-19 Testing Quarantine Facility Workers Direction (No 3)* and include workers who deliver health services, personal services, security services, all front and back of house hotel and cleaning services, and passenger transport service, as well as and healthcare workers providing direct clinical care to COVID-19 positive individuals. Once these individuals have been vaccinated, vaccination should be offered to:
  - Healthcare workers in: COVID-19 / infectious Disease Wards, Emergency Departments, Intensive Care Units, Fever and respiratory clinics
  - Queensland Ambulance Service frontline responders
  - Public and private (international) aeromedical retrieval teams
  - Air and sea border security staff including relevant AFP and QPS staff
  - Australian residents working in international aircrews
  - Pathology staff, medical researchers and scientists working with SARS-CoV-2
  - Marine pilots
- The COVID-19 Vaccine Taskforce is working with multiple agencies across the private and public sectors to urgently compile a list of eligible Phase 1a individuals.
- A data template was developed to capture the minimum information required to enable the Queensland COVID Vaccine Management System to generate an email to all eligible phase 1a individuals inviting them to participate in the Queensland COVID-19 vaccination program.
- Participating individuals will then be asked to complete the booking process online which takes approximately 10 minutes, as outlined below:
  - Follow the link in the invite and select that you'd like to register using an invite code.
  - Copy your invite code from the email into the invite code field.
  - Complete fields to create an account: email, username and password.
  - Select I want to register and make an appointment.
  - Update your details, such as date of birth, address, next of kin.
  - Complete the health screening questionnaire, which will confirm your suitability to be vaccinated.
  - Enter your postcode to search for the available clinics.
  - Select a time and location that suits you.
  - You will receive an email and SMS confirming your appointment details and a reminder the day before your appointment.
  - If you are experiencing and trouble contact 134COVID for assistance.

# QLD COVID-19 Vaccination Program

Program update as at 16 February

## Risk rating framework

- A decision-tree and risk matrix has been developed to provide a set of guiding risk-assessment questions to support a consistent and equitable approach to roll-out throughout Queensland. It is designed to assist Hospital & Health Services and other employees with Phase 1a eligible staff by providing a clear set of eligibility questions, based on the likelihood and frequency of risk of exposure to COVID on a day-to-day basis. The risk rating framework is within **Attachment 1**.

## Independent Assessment of Readiness

- Queensland Government has developed an assurance process to support an informed decision regarding vaccination readiness of agreed Pfizer Hubs ahead of planned go-live timeframes ("Independent Assessment of Readiness"). The taskforce engaged the Mater's OptiSim, an independent contractor, to undertake readiness assessments. The independent assessment will be conducted for all Pfizer hubs prior to their relevant go-live dates, in accordance with the Queensland COVID-19 Vaccination Readiness Assurance Plan. An assessment of the Gold Coast University Hospital Pfizer Hub will take place this week.

## Vaccination Command Centre

- The Vaccination Command Centre went live on Monday 15 February 2021, ready for the Gold Coast University Hospital launch.
- Distribution of the vaccine doses will be coordinated centrally at a state level via the Vaccination Command Centre.

## AstraZeneca and Phase 1b planning

- The AstraZeneca vaccine was approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration today, Tuesday 16 February 2021.
- The AstraZeneca vaccine Phase 1b roll out is occurring with HHSs, with AstraZeneca vaccine doses expected to arrive from the beginning of March 2021.
- An amendment to the Electoral Regulation is currently being sought to enable access to electoral data, in order to produce the list of eligible Phase 1b recipients.

## Freezers and fridges

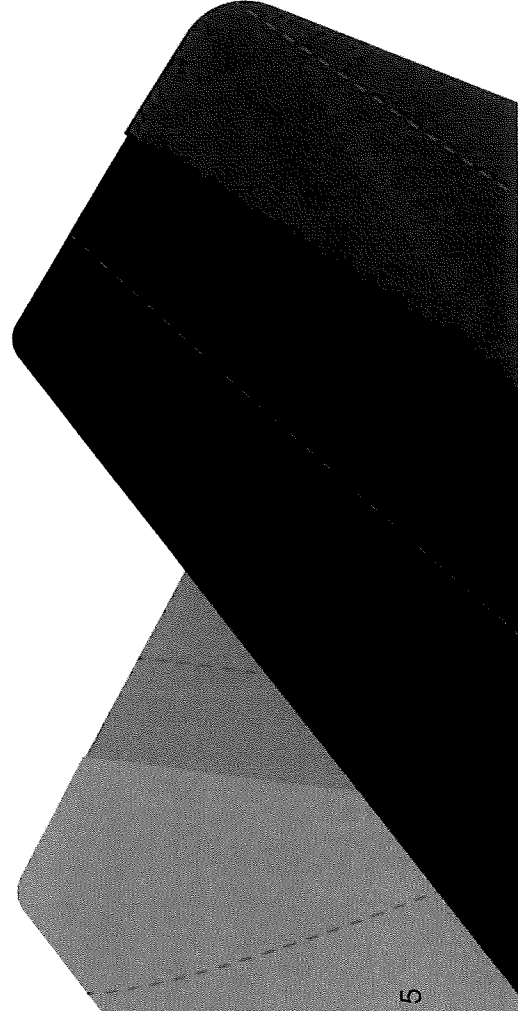
- Delivery of Pfizer freezer to Gold Coast University Hospital and Cairns is expected to occur this week, with others expected in the following weeks. Procurement and liaison with suppliers to finalise the requirement and details for the readiness of the Pfizer sites for the planned roll-out.
- Procurement has begun for purpose-built vaccine refrigerators for storing AstraZeneca vaccines.

## Training

- The Commonwealth's COVID-19 Vaccination Training Program modules went live online on 8 February 2021.

# Attachment 1 Risk Rating Framework for Phase 1a

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# Risk Rating Framework for Phase 1a

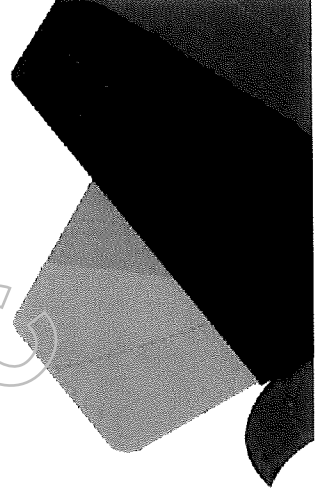
Phase 1a of the Australian COVID-19 vaccine national roll-out strategy is due to begin late February 2021. As identified by the Australian Government, Phase 1a will capture quarantine and border workers, frontline health care workers sub-groups, aged care and disability care staff and aged care and disability care residents. Nationally this will represent approximately 700,000 people.

In Queensland we anticipate this figure to be approximately 130,000. The Commonwealth have stated they will undertake vaccination of aged care and disability care residents and staff. These groups are not accounted for explicitly in the risk matrix, as are already considered high-risk. Queensland Health will undertake vaccination of the remaining workers who fall into this phase, including a large number of frontline health care workers, with the remainder (including most community and private sector health care workers) to be captured in Phase 1b which is due to commence in March 2021.

This decision-tree and risk matrix has been developed to provide a set of guiding risk-assessment questions to support a consistent and equitable approach to roll-out throughout Queensland. It is designed to assist Hospital & Health Services and other employees with Phase 1a eligible staff to apply the Memorandum from the Director General (COVID-19 Vaccination Program – priority vaccinations within Pfizer Hubs).

Please note that all health care workers will be offered a vaccine over the course of these first 2 stages.

This document does not include consideration for Aged care and disability care residents or Aged care and disability care staff as vaccination of these groups will be managed by the Commonwealth.



# Risk assessment questions for 1a vaccination decision-tree

1. Are you regularly exposed to COVID in your day to day work?
  - This includes COVID wards with active cases in the last month, quarantine, border, maritime pilots & aeromedical workers with exposure to high-risk groups such as international travelers, international mariners, paramedics likely to be transporting COVID patients from quarantine hotels to hospital.
  - This group will likely be having definite daily to weekly exposure to patients with COVID-19 and daily-weekly COVID-19 swabs.

**If yes, then considered highest risk and should vaccinate early in Phase 1a.**

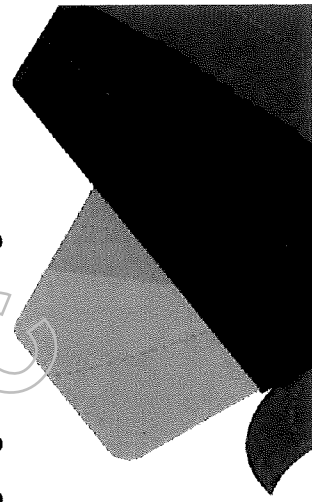
2. Are you *purposefully* and likely to be exposed to COVID in your day to day work?
  - This includes staff rostered to dedicated COVID zones (i.e. Hot Zones) in emergency departments or ICUs, those caring for international quarantine guests, non-COVID aeromedical retrieval staff, pathology staff handling samples and live virus handlers including researchers.
  - This group expect to have exposure 1-2 monthly or more regularly with additional risk mitigation strategies e.g. extraction hoods in laboratories. They may or may not be having regular screening swabs.

**If yes, then consider vaccinating after highest risk cohort has commenced.**

3. Are you *potentially* exposed to COVID in your day to day work?
  - This includes Clinical & Support staff in fever and respiratory clinics, emergency departments, ICUs, paramedics in areas outside of higher-risk regions, active international air pilots and crew.
  - This group may expect to be exposed over a 6 month period and are unlikely to be having regular screening swabs.

**If yes, then consider vaccinating later in Phase 1a.**

A communication plan has been developed, with material being prepared. Briefing pack will be provided to the Premier, Minister and Chief Health Officer.



# Risk Matrix for Phase 1a recipients

## Risk Matrix for Phase 1a recipients

Likelihood of exposure to COVID or likelihood of on-transmission	Consequences of COVID infection and on-transmission		
	Minor (1)	Moderate (2)	High (3)
Unlikely (1)	1	2	3
Possible (2)	2	4	6
Almost Certain (3)	3	6	9

## Phase 1a Subpopulation Risk Rating

Risk Rating	Group	Sub-group	Notes
6	Quarantine & Border Workers	High risk Quarantine & Border Workers	Quarantine Hotel staff (hotel staff, health teams, security staff, QPS and ADF)
6	High Risk Transport workers	Maritime & airplane pilots & aeromedical workers with exposure to high-risk groups such as international travellers and retrievals	QPS, ADF, ABF, DAWE and other high-risk border staff in domestic & international airports Other staff with direct contact with arriving at risk passengers
6	Quarantine & Border Workers	International seaports: missions to seafarers; those who board and spend time on vessels with crew	International seaports: missions to seafarers; those who board and spend time on vessels with crew
6	Priority Frontline HCW subpopulation	Patient & Citizen Transport	QAS staff likely to be transporting COVID patients from quarantine hotels to hospital
6	Priority Frontline HCW subpopulation	Clinical staff who visit high risk areas (Hotel Quarantine & Border facilities)	Patient and citizen transport (bus & transport drivers for hotel quarantine, QAS) HCW in domestic & international airports, including Public health staff, testing & health assessment teams
6	Priority Frontline HCW subpopulation	Public & private clinical & support staff in COVID wards with active cases in the last month	Clinicians with direct patient contact Cleaners (indirect contact) Hospitality (indirect contact) Environmental services (linen, transportation etc) Security Services Administration and management (indirect contact)

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# Risk Matrix for Phase 1a recipients (continued)

## Phase 1a Subpopulation Risk Rating (continued)

Risk Rating	Group	Sub-group	Notes
4	Priority Frontline HCW subpopulation	Quarantine catchment QAS frontline staff	Clinicians with direct patient contact Cleaners (indirect contact) Hospitality (indirect contact) Environmental services (linen, transportation etc) Security Services Administration and management (indirect contact)  Clinicians, Laboratory & Support staff in direct contact with COVID-19 samples
		Other COVID ward staff	
		Dedicated public & private COVID ED & COVID ICU Staff	
		Other aeromedical retrieval staff	
		Public & private Pathology workers processing COVID swabs	
		COVID-19 vaccinators vaccinating high risk cohorts	
3	Priority Frontline HCW subpopulation	Live SARS-Co-V handlers	Research & Academic staff involved with direct handling of live SARS-CoV-2 samples
2	Priority Frontline HCW subpopulation	Public & Private Fever and Respiratory Clinics; Clinical and Support staff in direct patient contact	QAS, GPs, Nursing cohorts (Public & Private)
2	Quarantine & Border Workers	Other HCW involved in COVID-19 testing	
2	Priority Frontline HCW subpopulation	Other active international air pilots, marine pilots and crew	
1	Priority Frontline HCW subpopulation	Other QAS frontline staff, other aeromedical staff, other ED/ICUs	
1	Quarantine & Border Workers	Various lower risk hospital staff groups (public and private) and other COVID-19 vaccination staff	
1	Quarantine & Border Workers	Various lower risk international airport or seaport staff	
		All other staff not already captured working in Hotel Quarantine, Border Security & medical retrievals	

# Risk Matrix for Phase 1a recipients (continued)

## Likelihood

Event occurrence of COVID infection to be defined based on time and level of exposure

Score	Likelihood	Description of Likelihood
1	Unlikely	Event not likely to occur within the next 6 months but there is a slight possibility of occurrence
2	Possible	50/50 chance of the event occurring in the next 6 months
3	Almost Certain	Very likely to occur. The event is likely to occur multiple times in the year

## Consequences

1. Minor	2. Moderate	3. High
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Early detection of infection and/or</li> <li>• Minimal exposure to other groups</li> <li>• Minimal impact on delivery of essential services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delayed detection of infection and/or</li> <li>• Moderate exposure and on transmission to other groups</li> <li>• Moderate impact on delivery of essential/healthcare services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delayed detection of infection, and/or</li> <li>• High likelihood of exposure and on-transmission to other groups</li> <li>• High impact on delivery of essential/healthcare services</li> </ul>

## Risk score

The risk score is obtained by multiplying the likelihood and consequence scores

Relative Risk	Priority in vaccination Phase
Low (1-2)	Later
Moderate (3-4)	
High (6-9)	Early

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Hi Dave

For your approval.

Thanks  
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Good Afternoon Julia

Please find attached TF/21/3307 - URGENT LETTER - David Crisafulli MP - suggesting that he and the Premier get vaccinated together as a sign of unity to promote public vaccination for your review.

Kind Regards



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Mr David Crisafulli MP  
Leader of the Opposition  
[leader@opposition.qld.gov.au](mailto:leader@opposition.qld.gov.au)

Dear Mr Crisafulli

Thank you for your letter of 17 February 2021 and your support for Queensland's coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination program.

As you would be aware, Queensland's vaccination rollout will occur in a phased manner, and in close partnership with the Federal Government. In the first phase, Phase 1a, the focus is on vaccinating people who have been identified as being most at risk of contracting COVID-19. In this phase, in Queensland, we are vaccinating a total of 37,000 quarantine and border workers and frontline health care workers, with the Federal Government responsible for vaccination of aged care and disability care residents and staff.

I have publicly stated that I will be vaccinated in Phase 1b, along with the Minister for Health and Ambulance Services, the Honourable Yvette D'Ath MP, and the Chief Health Officer, Dr Jeannette Young.

I strongly encourage you, and every member of Parliament, to be prepared to receive the vaccine in your local community when it is offered to you. This will assist in showing support for the vaccine rollout and support public confidence.

I also encourage you and your colleagues to stay informed of the latest advice on the vaccine rollout on the Queensland Government website at [www.health.qld.gov.au](http://www.health.qld.gov.au) and then click on 'COVID-19 vaccine'. I also note that an information session on Queensland's vaccine rollout program was offered to all members of Parliament on 24 February 2021, hosted by Minister D'Ath and Dr Young.

The information session provided advice on the rollout and clear messages for Members of Parliament to take back to their local communities to encourage strong take-up of the vaccine. It is imperative that we all work with our constituents to spread the message that the vaccines are safe, effective, and are provided free of charge. Our aim is to give every eligible Queenslanders the opportunity to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as possible.

Again, thank you for writing to me about this important matter.

Yours sincerely

**ANNASTACIA PALASZCZUK MP**

**PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND**

**MINISTER FOR TRADE**

## Lucas Clarke

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**From:** The Premier  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 17 February 2021 5:53 PM  
**To:** DCLO Admin; 'denise.spinks@ministerial.qld.gov.au'; Jim Murphy (Ministerial); 'mathew.cooper@ministerial.qld.gov.au'; 'Greg Fowler (greg.fowler@ministerial.qld.gov.au)'  
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**Subject:** PRIORITY MAIL - TF/21/3307: URGENT LETTER - David Crisafulli MP - suggesting that he and the Premier get vaccinated together as a sign of unity to promote public vaccination  
**Attachments:** 20210217 Letter from the Opposition Leader.pdf

Good evening

Please find attached correspondence from David Crisafulli MP suggesting that he and the Premier get vaccinated together as a sign of unity to promote public vaccination.

Due to the urgency, I have allocated the attached direct to Social Policy to draft an urgent response, due to PO 25 February 2021.

This has been added to the ECU watch list.

**Please note** this timeframe is subject to change.

Yours sincerely



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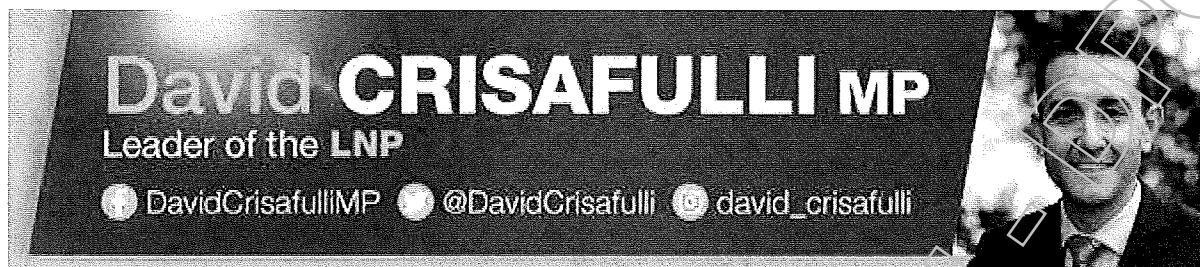
**From:** Leader <leader@opposition.qld.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 17 February 2021 5:36 PM  
**To:** The Premier <The.Premier@premiers.qld.gov.au>  
**Subject:** priority/ Letter from the Leader of the Opposition

Good Afternoon,

Please find attached correspondence from Mr David Crisafulli MP, Leader of the Opposition and Shadow Minister for Tourism, for the attention of the Hon. Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, Premier of Qld.

Kind Regards,

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# David Crisafulli MP

Leader of the Opposition and Shadow Minister for Tourism

17 February 2021

Hon. Anastacia Palaszczuk MP  
Premier and Minister for Trade

By email: [thepremier@premiers.qld.gov.au](mailto:thepremier@premiers.qld.gov.au)

Dear Premier

*Anastacia*

I write to offer bipartisan support to promote the importance of receiving the Covid-19 vaccine.

Now that the Federal Government has approved the Covid-19 vaccination for use, I am heartened by the Chief Health Officer's decision to allocate vaccinations to frontline workers first, then to vulnerable Queenslanders before the general population.

I endorse Dr Young's decision to prioritise vaccinations to frontline workers and vulnerable Queenslanders first.

I have listened to community concerns owing to misinformation being peddled about the vaccine. It's vital our community has confidence in the efficacy and safety of our vaccine rollout.

I believe a bipartisan decision to "get the jab" together will help promote this message throughout Queensland.

If you determine the public interest is served by you publicly receiving the vaccine to promote public participation, as a sign of unity, I am willing to be vaccinated with you at the same location and time as advised by Dr Young.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'David Crisafulli'.

**DAVID CRISAFULLI MP**  
**LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION**  
**SHADOW MINISTER FOR TOURISM**  
**MEMBER FOR BROADWATER**

CC: Dr Jeannette Young, Chief Health Officer.

## Dave Stewart

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**From:** Julia Sheedy  
**Sent:** Monday, 15 March 2021 5:04 PM  
**To:** Dave Stewart  
**Cc:** Madison Cann; Courtney Jarrett  
**Subject:** FW: TF/21/4577, \*\*SUPER URGENT MEDIA OPPORTUNITY EVENT BRIEF | Gold Coast University Hospital | Tuesday, 16 March 2021 at 9.15am  
**Attachments:** PBN Event Pack -Gold Coast University Hospital - 16 March 2021.DOCX; Attachment 1 - Q&As - Gold Coast University Hospital - 16 March 2021.DOCX  
**Importance:** High

Hi Dave

For your approval.

An advance copy has been provided to PO.

Thanks  
Julia

**From:** Correspondence DG (DPC) <CorrespondenceDG.DPC@premiers.qld.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Monday, 15 March 2021 5:01 PM  
**To:** Julia Sheedy <julia.sheedy@premiers.qld.gov.au>  
**Cc:** Correspondence DG (DPC) <CorrespondenceDG.DPC@premiers.qld.gov.au>; Courtney Jarrett <courtney.jarrett@premiers.qld.gov.au>  
**Subject:** TF/21/4577, \*\*SUPER URGENT MEDIA OPPORTUNITY EVENT BRIEF | Gold Coast University Hospital | Tuesday, 16 March 2021 at 9.15am  
**Importance:** High

Hey Julia

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Would you be okay with an advanced copy being progressed?

Thank you  
Courtney for Maddy



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## Media Opportunity: second dose of the Pfizer vaccination at Gold Coast University Hospital (GCUH)

### SUBJECT

The following information is provided to support your attendance at a media opportunity for the second dose vaccination of Ms Zoe Park, registered nurse, the first person to receive the Pfizer vaccination at GCUH.

<b>JOBS</b>	N/A
<b>FUNDING BREAKDOWN</b>	N/A

### DETAILS

- Date: Tuesday, 16 March 2021
- Time: 9.15am
- Venue: GCUH, 1 Hospital Boulevard, Southport

A representative from the Department of the Premier and Cabinet is not required to attend this event.

Q&As have been drafted to support your attendance at **Attachments 1**.

### KEY ISSUES EXPECTED TO BE RAISED IN RELATION TO EVENT

#### 1) Commencement of second doses of Pfizer vaccines for health workers

- Registered Nurse, Ms Zoe Park, was the first Queensland to receive the Pfizer vaccine in Queensland on 22 February 2021. On 16 March 2021, she will be receiving her second dose.
- On that first day, 180 people, including health workers and quarantine workers, also received their first dose at GCUH alongside Ms Park.
- The Pfizer vaccine is required to be administered in two doses, a minimum of 21 days apart. The AstraZeneca vaccine is also administered in two doses at least 28 days apart, but most typically at 12 weeks apart.
- While one dose of both vaccines gives some level of protection, it may only be short-term, with maximum efficacy following the two doses.

#### 2) Vaccine rollout in Queensland

- As at 15 March 2021 (data to midnight 14 March), Queensland Health had administered 18,705 COVID-19 vaccine doses at 17 hubs across Queensland.
- Pfizer hubs (six sites) are: Gold Coast University Hospital, Princess Alexandra Hospital, Cairns Hospital, STARS, Sunshine Coast University Hospital, Townsville University Hospital.
- AstraZeneca hubs (11 sites) operating as at 14 March are: Bundaberg Hospital, Logan Hospital, Toowoomba Hospital, QEII, Thursday Island, Ipswich Hospital, Rockhampton Hospital, Royal Brisbane Women's Hospital, Maryborough Hospital, Mackay Base Hospital and Redcliffe Hospital.
- Work is also underway across all Hospital and Health Services to ensure readiness for smaller-scale delivery methods to facilitate access to the vaccine in regional areas with smaller populations and remote areas.

#### 3) Nurse who had an adverse reaction at GCUH

- A nurse who received the Pfizer vaccine at the GCUH on 4 March 2021, had an anaphylactic reaction, following a history of allergies. It is understood that she has now fully recovered.

#### 4) Doctor who tested positive for COVID-19 at Princess Alexander Hospital (PAH)

- On Friday 12 March 2021, a doctor at the PAH tested positive to COVID-19 following her treatment of two COVID-19 positive patients.

# PREMIER'S BRIEFING NOTE

Event

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- The patients the doctor was treating were quarantining at the Hotel Grand Chancellor prior to being admitted to PAH.
- An incident team has been stood up to investigate a potential transmission event at that hotel. The incident team will confirm whether any transmission has occurred and commence an appropriate response. The hotel has gone into lockdown with no residents leaving and no new residents being accepted.
- All non-essential visits to hospitals, residential aged care facilities, disability accommodation services and correctional facilities in Greater Brisbane (Brisbane, Ipswich, Logan, Moreton Bay and Redlands) have been ceased, to be reviewed midday Tuesday 16 March 2021.
- Anyone attending the above locations, including staff, must wear a mask.
- Contact tracing is underway for contacts of the doctor. To date (midday 15 March), no contacts have tested positive to the virus.

## BACKGROUND

- In Phase 1a of the rollout, Queensland Health is responsible for vaccinating approximately 37,000 quarantine and border workers and frontline healthcare workers in Queensland.
- The Federal Government is responsible for Phase 1a vaccinations for approximately 88,000 staff and residents of aged care and disability care facilities in Queensland. As at 12 March 2021 (data to midnight 11 March), the Federal Government had administered 899 doses (includes Aspen Medical and Health Care Australia (241 doses) and General Practitioners (658 doses)).
- Phase 1b is expected to commence from the 22 March 2021 and will involve additional General Practitioner (GP) and GP Respiratory Clinic sites.
- The estimated total for Phase 1b is 1.049 million Queenslanders, with the priority cohorts including elderly adults over 70 years, First Nations peoples over 55 years, remaining healthcare workers, younger adults with an underlying medical condition, as well as critical and high-risk workers.

## CONSULTATION

- Queensland Health (based on material previously provided).

Comments (Premier or DG)

Dave Stewart  
Director-General

## Question and Answers

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### Gold Coast University Hospital

9.15am, Tuesday 16 March 2021

#### Is Queensland's COVID-19 vaccination program on track?

- Queensland's vaccination rollout is gathering momentum as we bring on more hubs throughout the State.
- We are currently vaccinating more than 2000 Queenslanders a day and we are on track.
- I am proud to say we have safely rolled out vaccination hubs across the length and breadth of Queensland, with more sites on the way.
- These numbers will continue to grow in the coming weeks as the locally produced AstraZeneca vaccine comes online.
- It is very exciting to be here today to mark this milestone and see Zoe Park become our first person to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 in Queensland.

#### Has the nurse who had the adverse reaction recovered?

- I understand that the nurse who received the Pfizer vaccine at the Gold Coast University Hospital and had an adverse reaction, has fully recovered.

#### What is next for this first phase of the vaccine rollout?

- Phase 1a is well underway.
- In Phase 1a, Queensland Health is responsible for vaccinating approximately 37,000 quarantine and border workers and frontline healthcare workers in Queensland.
- The Federal Government is responsible for Phase 1a vaccinations for approximately 88,000 staff and residents of aged care and disability care facilities in Queensland.
- We will continue to prioritise these cohorts of vulnerable people and high risk workers.

## Question and Answers

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### What are the next steps for Queensland's vaccination program?

- Phase 1b is expected to commence from the 22 March and will involve additional General Practitioner (GP) and GP Respiratory Clinic sites.
- It is estimated that a total of 1.049 million Queenslanders will be vaccinated in Phase 1b.
- Phase 1b priority cohorts include elderly adults over 70 years, First Nations peoples over 55 years, remaining healthcare workers, younger adults with an underlying medical condition, as well as critical and high-risk workers.

### Which vaccine is the best?

- The results from clinical trials and 'real world' data have shown both the AstraZeneca and Pfizer vaccines to be effective in providing strong protection against COVID-19.
- The TGA continues to monitor the latest data from across the world based on rollout of the vaccines globally.
- I urge all Queenslanders to get vaccinated with the first vaccine that is offered to them – both are safe and effective.

### When will I get vaccinated?

- For now, we are getting through the priority cohorts. These are the people most at risk of COVID-19, so we need to protect them first.
- There is information available online, either on the Federal Government website or the Queensland Health website.
- It enables you to check your eligibility and will tell you which phase of the rollout you will be part of.
- I encourage everyone to stay up to date with the latest information as new sites come on board, including your local GP, pharmacy or health care clinic.

## Question and Answers

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### Why haven't you vaccinated all health workers already?

- Phase 1a is well underway.
- Every single member of Phase 1a is a priority and we are working at a steady rate to ensure that each and every one of them are vaccinated.
- We are over halfway through giving the first lot of vaccinations to the 37,000 eligible people.
- We are constantly increasing our capacity to vaccinate. We've gone from 2000 in the first week to more than 10,000 last week so our numbers are growing constantly.
- We expect 11,500 people to be vaccinated this week alone and we'll be ramping up to 20,000 a week with the current stock that we have available.
- Greater certainty of vaccine supply timeframes from the Federal Government would assist greatly in our vaccine rollout planning and our ability to vaccinate Queenslanders.

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## Dave Stewart

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**From:** Dave Stewart  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 16 March 2021 9:01 AM  
**To:** DPC Correspondence  
**Cc:** Dave Stewart; Rebecca McGarrity; Julia Sheedy  
**Subject:** FW: C-ECTF-21/3627 - Correspondence from Dr John Wakefield, Director-General, Queensland Health  
**Attachments:** Letter from the Director-General to Mr Dave Stewart.pdf; Attachment 1 - priority-groups-for-covid-19-vaccination-program-phase-1b.PPTX

HI ECU

Please see attached incoming DG correspondence. Please register and allocate to Social Policy for preparation of DG response. Please note, response is due to ODG by noon Thursday 18 March 2021.

Thank you,  
Tina

**From:** DG correspondence <DG\_Correspondence@health.qld.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 16 March 2021 8:55 AM  
**To:** Dave Stewart <david.stewart@premiers.qld.gov.au>  
**Subject:** C-ECTF-21/3627 - Correspondence from Dr John Wakefield, Director-General, Queensland Health

Good morning

Please see attached correspondence from Dr John Wakefield, Director-General, Queensland Health for your attention.

Should you require further information please contact Ms Bronwyn Nardi, State Director, COVID-19 Vaccination Taskforce, on telephone [REDACTED].

Kind regards



Ministerial & Executive Services Unit, Office of the  
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Enquiries to: Ms Bronwyn Nardi  
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Queensland Health

Mr Dave Stewart  
Director-General  
Department of the Premier and Cabinet

Email: [DPC.Correspondence@premiers.qld.gov.au](mailto:DPC.Correspondence@premiers.qld.gov.au)

Dear Director-General

We are now three weeks into the COVID-19 vaccination program in Queensland. Pfizer hospital hubs have been operational since the start of the program and AstraZeneca hubs have commenced in the past week. These hubs have targeted Phase 1(a) priority groups, which include border and quarantine workers, and healthcare workers who are providing care to potential or confirmed COVID-19 patients.

Phase 1(b) priority vaccination for the balance of healthcare workers and identified critical workers will commence over the next few weeks. The attached list details the workers eligible in Phase 1(b) as determined by the Australian Government. The list includes Queensland Government employees such as police, emergency services, corrective services, rural fire service and State Emergency Services.

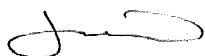
We understand there may be other groups across the public sector who warrant inclusion in Phase 1(b). As such, we need to finalise the Phase 1(b) scope, establish accurate employee lists, and co-develop a plan with the relevant departments.

To assist in achieving this, I would be grateful if you would provide the following information by **Friday, 19th March 2021**:

1. Whether you believe you have workers who would fit the Phase 1(b) priority group category (refer to the attached list).
2. Summary information on these Phase 1(b) employee groups, including approximate number of staff.
3. The name, position and contact details of a senior officer accountable for COVID-19 vaccination in order to maintain key communications about vaccination matters (regardless of whether you have workers in Phase 1(b) or not).

Please send the response to [COVID19Vaccination.Taskforce@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:COVID19Vaccination.Taskforce@health.qld.gov.au). If you have any questions or require further information, please contact Ms Bronwyn Nardi, State Director COVID-19 Vaccination Taskforce on [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely



Dr John Wakefield PSM  
**Director-General**  
15 / 03 / 2021

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Australia's COVID-19  
Vaccine Roadmap

# Priority groups for COVID-19 Vaccination Program: Phase 1B

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# COVID-19 vaccine national roll-out strategy

## Phase 1a – up to 1.4m doses

Quarantine and border workers	70,000
Frontline health care worker sub-groups for prioritisation	100,000
Aged care and disability care staff	318,000
Aged care and disability care residents	190,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>678,000</b>

## Commenced 22 February 2021

## Phase 1b – up to 14.8m doses

Elderly adults aged 80 years and over	1,045,000
Elderly adults aged 70-79 years	1,858,000
Other health care workers	953,000
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people > 55	87,000
Younger adults with an underlying medical condition, including those with a disability	2,000,000
Critical and high risk workers including defence, police, fire, emergency services and meat processing	196,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,139,000</b>

## Commencing 22 March 2021

## Phase 2a – up to 15.8m doses

Adults aged 60-69 years	2,650,000
Adults aged 50-59 years	3,080,000
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 18- 54	387,000
Other critical and high risk workers	453,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,570,000</b>

## Phase 2b – up to 16m doses

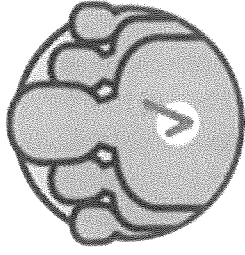
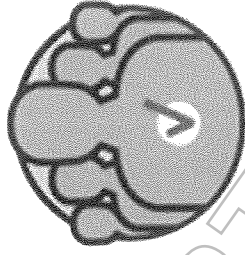
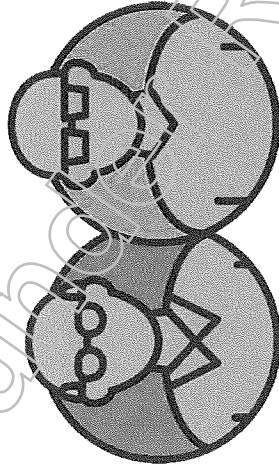
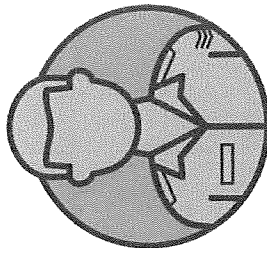
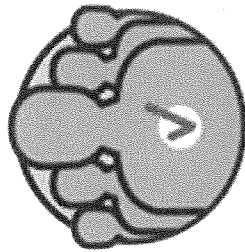
Balance of adult population	6,643,000
Catch up any unvaccinated Australians from previous phases	

## Phase 3 – up to 13.6m doses

< 18 if recommended*	5,670,000
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\* 16 and 17 year olds will be able to access the Pfizer vaccine in line with the relevant cohort. Population numbers are current estimates for each category.

# Who will be vaccinated under Phase 1b, based on recommendations by the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation



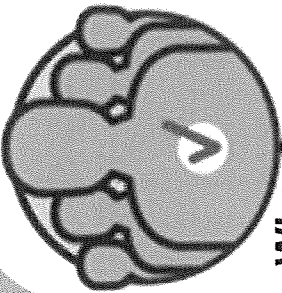
Healthcare workers  
currently employed  
and not included in  
Phase 1a

Critical and high risk  
workers currently  
employed

People over 80 years  
People over 70 years

Aboriginal and Torres  
Strait Islander people  
over 55 years

People over 18 with  
an underlying  
medical condition,  
including disability



## Phase 1b: Healthcare Workers

### Who

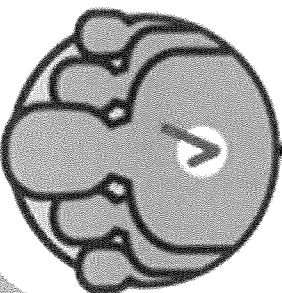
- Individuals employed in the medical profession, including allied health professionals, aged care and disability workers
- All public and private hospital staff
- Healthcare workers in private practice
- Community pharmacy staff
- Healthcare workers providing in-home and community care, including centre-based care
- Workforce supporting medical practitioners in a clinical setting, including students on placement
- Onsite administrative staff in healthcare settings
- Cleaners, kitchen staff and other ancillary staff in healthcare settings

### Where

Phase 1b sites by appointment Pfizer hubs if contacted by jurisdiction

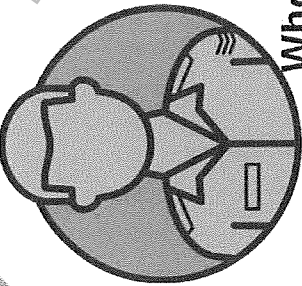
### Requirements

Proof of occupation (ID card, letter from employer or *Phase 1B Declaration Form*) will be required to demonstrate eligibility



## Phase 1b: Carers and disability settings

Included	Excluded	Where	Requirements
<p>Essential carers (paid and unpaid) including carers who are also family members of someone with disability or an elderly person.</p> <p>Disability support volunteers who provide support to people in their homes, respite care, educational, employment and leisure settings.</p> <p>People with a disability attending centre-based services (e.g. day programs, supported employment).</p>	<p>Family members of people with disability who are not carers.</p>	<p>Phase 1b sites by appointment or by other arrangement.</p>	<p>Carers documentation or proof of occupation (ID card or letter from employer/centre-based support provider).</p> <p>Where none of these are available, individuals may complete a <i>Phase 1B Declaration Form</i></p>



## Phase 1b: Critical and High Risk Workers

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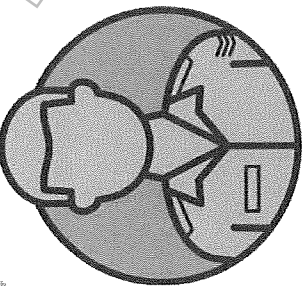
- Emergency services personnel, including frontline police officers, fire and rescue personnel, corrective services officers
- Rural Fire Service and State Emergency Service volunteers
- Active Australian Defence Force personnel
- Australian Government officials about to be deployed or currently deployed overseas on official government business
- Workers involved in manufacture of AstraZeneca vaccine and distribution/delivery of COVID-19 vaccines
- Workers at licensed meat processing businesses

### Where

### Requirements

Phase 1b sites by appointment  
Defence to provide for ADF

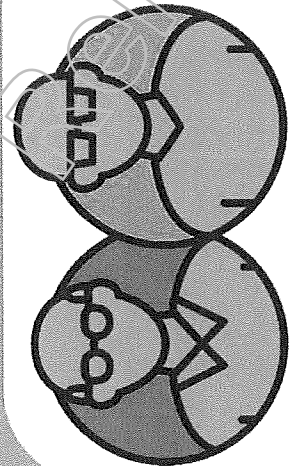
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## Phase 1b: Licensed meat processing workers

- Workers directly involved in the manufacturing and distribution process, where the work is in a cold environment and workers are unable to maintain physical distancing requirements

Included	Excluded
Abattoir workers, including attending veterinarians	Retail workers including butcher shops, fishmongers
Workers in boning rooms	Primary production workers, including fishing
Smallgoods manufacturers	Clerical workers
Cold chain transport workforce	
Seafood processing	

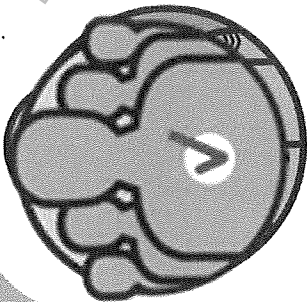


## Phase 1b: Elderly people

Who	Where	Requirements
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• People over 80 years</li><li>• People over 70 years</li></ul>	<p>Phase 1b sites by appointment</p>	<p>All standard forms of identification (drivers licence, passport) will be accepted</p> <p>For individuals attending their usual GP, the clinic's records may be relied upon as evidence.</p> <p>Other forms of accepted evidence include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• My Health Record</li><li>• Government issued documents with date of birth (e.g. Centrelink, Medicare, Department of Veterans Affairs)</li></ul>



## Phase 1b: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People



### Who

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged over 55
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people aged under 55 who meet other phase 1b criteria, i.e. underlying medical condition, health care worker, critical or high risk worker

### Where

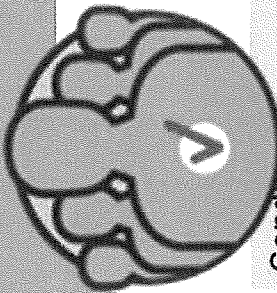
Phase 1b sites by appointment

### Requirements

As for general population for age eligibility

Self-identification as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander at the time of vaccination, which may be verbal

As for the criteria for the relevant priority cohort



# Phase 1b: Underlying medical conditions

Notes

Conditions

## Immunocompromising conditions

Solid organ transplant recipients who are on immune suppressive therapy

Adult survivors of childhood cancers

Bone marrow transplant recipients or those on chimeric antigen receptor T-cell (CAR-T) therapy or those on immune suppressive therapy for graft versus host disease

Haematological diseases or cancers **including** leukaemia, lymphoma or myeloma

Non-haematological cancer

Chronic inflammatory conditions on medical treatments

Primary or acquired immunodeficiency

Those with severe mental health conditions

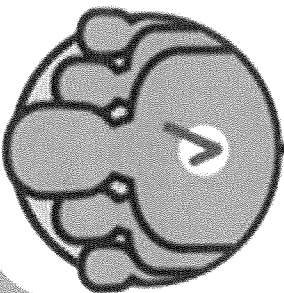
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**Including:** Systemic Lupus Erythematosus, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, and similar who are being treated with Disease modifying anti-rheumatic drugs (DMARDs) or immune-suppressive or immunomodulatory therapies. **Generally not inclusive** of people living with osteoarthritis, fibromyalgia, myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome or similar non-immunocompromising inflammatory conditions.

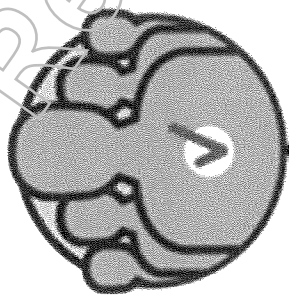
**Including** congenital causes of immunodeficiency and HIV/AIDS

**Including** schizophrenia, bi-polar disorder



# Phase 1b: Underlying medical conditions

Conditions	Notes
<b>Other underlying conditions</b>	
Chronic renal (kidney) failure with a eGFR of <44mL/min	Does not include mild-moderate chronic kidney disease
Heart disease	Including Ischaemic heart disease, valvular heart disease, cardiomyopathies and pulmonary hypertension
Chronic lung disease	Including Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, cystic fibrosis, interstitial lung disease. Does not include Mild or moderate asthma
Diabetes	
Severe obesity with a BMI $\geq$ 40kg/m <sup>2</sup>	
Chronic liver disease	
Some neurological conditions	Including Stroke, dementia, Multiple sclerosis, motor neurone disease, Parkinson's disease, cerebral palsy. Generally not inclusive of migraine or cluster headaches
Poorly controlled blood pressure (defined as two or more pharmacologic agents for blood pressure control, regardless of recent readings)	
Those with Down syndrome, muscular dystrophy, traumatic brain and spinal cord injury	



## Phase 1b:

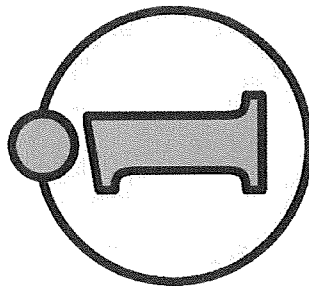
# Proof of eligibility – underlying medical conditions

- For individuals attending their usual GP, the clinic's records may be relied upon as evidence
- MyHealth Record
- A referral from GP or treating specialist
- Alternative medical records, including:
  - a printout of your medical history as recorded in your clinical records;
  - a printout of your chronic disease care plan; a discharge summary from a hospital or other medical facility; or
  - a valid script or medication prescribed to treat one or more of the relevant medical conditions
- Where none of these are available, individuals may complete a **Phase 1B**

*Declaration Form*

## Proof of eligibility – Obligations for immunisers

- Confirm that proof of eligibility meets one of the accepted types
- Make a record of the form of proof provided
- Eligibility only needs to be assessed for the first dose
  - If an individual has one dose recorded in AIR and required spacing between doses is met, there is no need to again check priority eligibility
- No further assessment of is required by providers to assess whether an individual falls in a priority cohort
- The reason for eligibility does not need to be reported



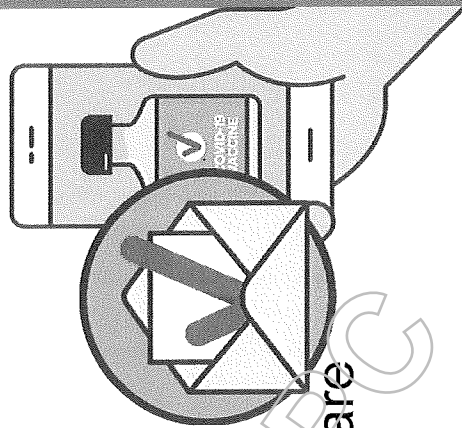
## Where will I be vaccinated?

Most individuals in Phase 1B will make an appointment through the National Booking Service or provider's own booking system and attend the clinic to be vaccinated

GPRCs, state vaccination clinics, Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services and some GPs will commence providing COVID-19 vaccines from Phase 1B

ADF personnel will be vaccinated by Defence

States and Territories will manage vaccination of their healthcare workforce and emergency services personnel

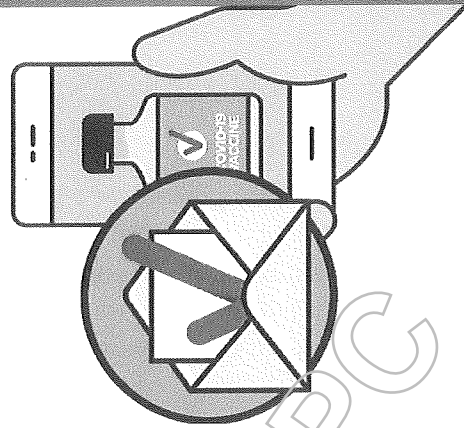


## How can I prove I've been vaccinated?

Australians can already access their immunisation history statement through Medicare for proof of vaccination, both digitally and in hard copy, if required.

Statements can be viewed on an individual's Medicare online account or via the Medicare app.

Your immunisation history statement will record your COVID-19 vaccinations, following each dose.



For more information on TGA's COVID-19 vaccine approval process visit: [www.tga.gov.au/covid-19-vaccine-approval-process](http://www.tga.gov.au/covid-19-vaccine-approval-process)

For the latest COVID-19 vaccine updates visit: [www.health.gov.au/covid19-vaccines](http://www.health.gov.au/covid19-vaccines)

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**Attachments:** C-ECTF-21/3627 - Correspondence from Dr John Wakefield, Director-General, Queensland Health; ELECTRONIC LETTERHEAD Director-General to Dr John Wakefield - DG of Queensland Health re Phase 1b public service staff.DOCX

Hi Dave

For your approval.

Thanks  
Julia

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Hey Julia

Please find attached TF/21/4812, LETTER from Dr John Wakefield, Director-General, Queensland Health regarding the COVID-19 vaccination program phase for your review



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In terms of your request, I can confirm that the Department of the Premier and Cabinet does not have employees who fall within the Phase 1(b) priority group categories and does not have any worker groups that warrant inclusion in this phase.

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Again, thank you for writing to me about this important issue and for your ongoing efforts in enabling a successful vaccine rollout in Queensland.

Yours sincerely

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Evening Dave,

Please see attached the cluster report and vaccine report (both documents are progressively being worked on and improvements are made as we receive more information).

I have also included the draft daily report that I understand Premier has asked for every morning before 8am. This is just the example of what the report will look like with today's data.

Jasmina

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# Vaccination Program Update

30 March 2021

Current Priority Group 1a vaccination data end of day 25 March 2021

Phase 1a priority group	1st Dose	2nd Dose	Total vaccinations
<b>OVERALL TOTALS</b>			
<b>Frontline healthcare workers</b> <i>Includes COVID-19 frontline doctors and nurses, QAS staff and fever clinic staff</i>	19,470	1,641	21,111
<b>Quarantine and border workers</b> <i>Includes Border Force, MSQ, Defence Force and hotel quarantine staff</i>	2,952	677	3,629
<b>Other</b> <i>Includes opportunist vaccinations (primarily to avoid wastage) and other healthcare workers (from Priority Category 1b)</i>	17,825	2,551	20,376
<b>Other 1A</b> <i>Includes laboratory and pathology staff</i>	1,225	49	1,274
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>41,472</b>	<b>4,918</b>	<b>46,390</b>

## Data limitations

- Data reported is point in time based on data available.
- Data entry and validation occurs throughout the day.
- Data is drawn from multiple systems/sources
- Data cleansing is necessary as transcription/data entry errors can occur when data is manually entered into the system.
- Manual submissions only provide total doses and do not differentiate between first and second dose.
- Manual submissions do not include priority group
- Manual submissions cannot be retrospectively added back into the COVID-19 Vaccination Management System (CVMS) at this stage
- The CVMS 'priority group' field defaults to 'QH', which means that the number of 1a QH frontline healthcare workers could be artificially inflated and in fact include border workers and other 1b healthcare workers



## Current vaccination doses administered end of day 29 March 2021

<b>VACCINATION DATA (New data supplied Tuesday – Sunday)</b>		
<b>Vaccine Site</b>	<b>Doses administered 29/03/2021</b>	<b>Total doses administered</b>
Pfizer Total	2,949	40,566
AstraZeneca Total	3,055	24,563
<b>Vaccine Total</b>	<b>6,004</b>	<b>65,129</b>

- Four new AstraZeneca vaccination sites commenced operations on Monday 29 March 2021
  - Sarina Hospital
  - Nambour Hospital
  - Richmond MPHS
  - Longreach Outreach

## Current vaccination numbers across jurisdictions as available at 1800hrs 29 March 2021

<b>VACCINATION DATA – BY JURISDICTION (as per National Incident Report)</b>									
	<b>AUS</b>	<b>QLD</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>VIC</b>	<b>WA</b>	<b>SA</b>	<b>TAS</b>	<b>NT</b>	<b>ACT</b>
<b>Jurisdictions</b>	339,423	59,126	96,273	86,282	45,091	22,787	13,091	7,027	9,746
<b>Aged Care</b>	82,542	17,616	21,644	18,835	6,933	8,298	4,176	913	4,127
<b>GP / GPRC</b>	119,487	24,047	38,546	28,929	9,218	10,017	4,834	734	3,152
<b>ACCHO</b>	309	0	95	138	17	32	0	10	17
<b>Past 24 hours</b>	11,564	1,709	1,736	4,306	1,064	311	1,097	108	1,233
<b>Cumulative total</b>	541,761	100,799	156,558	134,184	61,259	41,134	22,101	8,684	17,042

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**Brisbane North Cluster SitRep**

As at 16:00 30 March 2021

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**Case overview****Cluster 1a – PAH Doctor**

Case	Description	Date detected	Date publicly reported	Source of acquisition	Other information
1	M 60-69 HGC rm 105	9/3/21	9/3/21	Overseas acquired	Detected day 3 Admitted PAH 10 March
2	M 40-49 HGC rm 113	12/3/21	13/3/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	UK variant Detected day 12
3	F 30-39 Woolloongabba	12/3/21	13/3/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	PAH Medical Registrar Assessed case 1 on 10 March Symptomatic 11 March

**Cluster 1b – Northside**

Case	Description	Date detected	Date publicly reported	Source of acquisition	Other information
4	M 20-29 Stafford	25/03/21	26/03/21	Under investigation	Genome link to PA registrar cases Landscaper Admitted to RBWH.
5	M 20-29 Strathpine	26/03/21	27/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	Close contact of case 4 Admitted to RBWH.
6	M 30-39 Warner	28/03/21	28/03/21	Under investigation	Brother of case 4 Historical infection.
7	M 30-39 Redcliffe	28/03/21	29/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	Colleague case 5
8	M 20-29 Gladstone	28/03/21	29/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	Colleague case 5 Travelled to Gladstone while infections (25-28 Mar)
9	Close contact TBC	29/03/21	30/03/21	Under investigation	Positive on serology
10	Close contact TBC	29/03/21	30/03/21	Under investigation	Positive on serology

## Cluster 2 - PA nurse

### Key dates

- 22 March – Overseas traveller tested positive
- 23-24 March – Nurse worked overnight shift
- 27 March – Hen's party, Byron Bay
- 28 March – Nurse tested positive

Case	Description	Date detected	Date publicly reported	Source of acquisition	Other information
1	M 40-49 Travelled from India	23/03/21	TBC	Overseas acquired	
2	F 20-29 Norman Park	28/03/21	29/03/21	Locally acquired – contact not known	Genomic sequencing with case 1. Nurse on ID ward at PAH Attended hen's party in Byron Bay.
3	F 20-29 Carina	28/03/21	29/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	CTPI - [redacted] case 2 Personal Attended hen's party.
4	F 50-59 Mt Cotton	29/03/21	30/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	[redacted] case 2 & 3
5	M 20-29 Norman Park	29/03/21	30/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	[redacted] case 2
6	M 30-39 Surfers Paradise	29/03/21	30/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	Entertainer at hen's party. Trades person at RACF Most residence vaccinated Admitted to GC hospital
7	F 30-39 Tugan	29/03/21	30/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	Guest at hen's party
8	F 50-59 Toowoomba	29/03/21	30/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	[redacted] Admitted to Toowoomba Hospital
9	TBC Biggenden	29/03/21	30/03/21	Locally acquired – contact of known case	Guest at hen's party. Admitted to Bundaberg Hospital.

### Other cases not attributed to a cluster at this point

Case	Description	Date detected	Date publicly reported	Source of acquisition	Other information
	PAH ID nurse	30/03/21	-	Locally acquired – contact of known case	Vaccinated first dose 19 March Positive on surveillance test



**30 MARCH 2021**

## **COVID CASES**

- Total new cases today – 10
- Total community acquired today – 6
  - Related to Stafford – 1
  - Related to PA – 5
- Total overseas acquired – 2
- Total under investigation - 2

## **HOSPITAL**

- Total active cases in hospital – 78
- Total overseas acquired in hospital – XX
- Total community acquired in hospital – XX

## **VACCINATIONS**

- Total who have received at least one dose – 41,472
- Total who are fully vaccinated – 4,918
- Total 1A who have received at least one dose – 22,422
- Total 1A who are fully vaccinated – 2,318

## **SPEAKING POINTS**

Two likely clusters - one linked to the PA doctor and one linked to the PA nurse

41,000 frontline workers have been vaccinated which is around 89 per cent

No positives linked from regions outside of Greater Brisbane yet lockdown is a day by day proposition.

From tomorrow, only people who've had their first dose of the vaccine can work directly with confirmed cases of COVID

**Dave Stewart**

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Minister, Dave

Please find attached the following reports for this afternoon's teleconference:

- Brisbane Clusters Sit rep as at 15:00 31 March 2021
- Brisbane Clusters Case Overview as at 15:00 31 March 2021
- COVAX 1A report for 31 march 2021

Jasmina

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# Vaccination Program Update

31 March 2021

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<b>OVERALL TOTALS</b>			
<b>Frontline healthcare workers</b> <i>Includes COVID-19 frontline doctors and nurses, QAS staff and fever clinic staff</i>	25,078	3,730	28,808
<b>Quarantine and border workers</b> <i>Includes Border Force, MSQ, Defence Force and hotel quarantine staff</i>	3,221	925	4,146
<b>Other</b> <i>Includes opportunistic vaccinations (primarily to avoid wastage), response to outbreaks (e.g. in the Torres Islands) and other healthcare workers (from Priority Category 1b) and all uncategorised vaccinations</i>	20,836	4,663	25,499
<b>Other 1A</b> <i>Includes laboratory and pathology staff</i>	122	71	193
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49,257</b>	<b>9,389</b>	<b>58,646</b>

Note: Total vaccinations administered on this date was 53,893. The difference from the above total is explained through manual data capture, which currently cannot be retrospectively added to the CVMS.

## Data limitations

- Includes HHS - Cairns and Hinterland, Gold Coast, Metro North, Metro South, Sunshine Coast, Townsville, West Moreton
- These key sites comprise 79% of the planning target for frontline health care workers and 83% of the planning target for quarantine and border workers in Queensland.
- Transition to reporting priority group numbers from automated dashboard today 31 March 2021

- Data validation exercises may result in retrospective changes to vaccination administration totals. Continuity of data will be ensured by consistent use of the digital solution QVCMS across all HHSs.
- Data reported is point in time based on data available.
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### Current vaccination doses administered end of day 30 March 2021

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Pfizer Total	3,056	43,625
AstraZeneca Total	3,753	28,317
<b>Vaccine Total</b>	<b>6,809</b>	<b>71,942</b>

- One new AstraZeneca vaccination sites commenced operations on Tuesday 30 March 2021
  - GCHHS Albert Waterways

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<b>Jurisdictions</b>	363,710	65,129	102,575	92,765	47,701	24,145	13,750	7,364	10,281
<b>Aged Care</b>	86,610	18,878	22,530	19,803	7,507	8,581	4,271	913	4,127
<b>GP / GPRC</b>	146,858	28,584	48,005	35,963	11,343	12,468	6,000	956	3,539
<b>ACCHO</b>	345	0	127	138	17	36	0	10	17
<b>Past 24 hours</b>	55,764	11,792	16,679	14,485	5,039	4,096	1,922	559	922
<b>Cumulative total</b>	597,523	112,591	173,237	148,669	66,568	45,320	24,021	9,243	17,964

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Evening all,

Please see attached pack for tonight's briefing.

Jasmina

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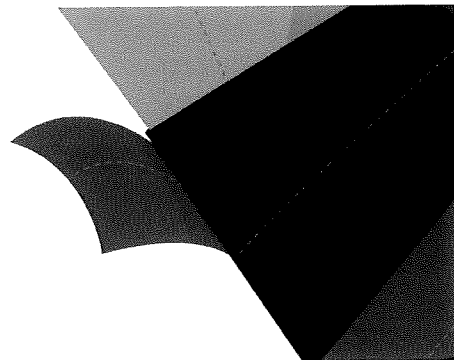
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# COVID-19 Briefing

## Agenda



<b>DATE &amp; TIME:</b>	<b>31 March 2021 – 8.00pm</b>
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<b>Item</b>	<b>Topic</b>
1	Case & contact tracing update
2	Metro North HHS (STARS) visit
3	Possible easing of restrictions
4	Vaccination update

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## Agenda Item 3

# Possible Easing of Restrictions

Paper: Summary of Easing of Restrictions

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# Easing of Restrictions Summary

- Subject to no new unlinked case or other cases of concern.
- There will most likely be more cases but we hope that these will be people that have not been in the community while infectious.
- From noon 1 April 2021, lock down in Greater Brisbane end.
- Greater Brisbane will move to the same level of restrictions that the rest of Queensland is currently on.
- These restrictions will be in place from noon 1 April 2021 until noon 15 April 2021.
- The situation will be reviewed regularly during this time to assess if a change in the approach is required.

## This means the following for ALL of Queensland

### **Movement and Gathering**

- You can leave your home for any purpose.
- You can travel anywhere in Australia but must check the travel restrictions in place in that state or territory.
- You can have 30 people gather in your home. This number includes those who live in the household.
- Up to 500 people can gather outside in public spaces, such as parks and beaches, but not in a home (because if it rains, they will move inside).

### **Businesses**

- Restricted businesses must follow rules outlined in the Restrictions on Businesses, Activities and Undertakings Direction.
- One person per 2 square metres for restricted businesses.
- Restaurants, cafés, bars and nightclubs can only open for seated eating and drinking.
- However, no standing or dancing allowed at restricted venues.
- 100% capacity in stadiums and performance venues that are ticketed and seated.
- We're encouraging businesses to use the Check In Qld app.

### **Weddings and Funerals**



- Wedding ceremonies and funerals can continue to take place with the current restrictions (one person per 2 square metres, or 200 people, whichever is greater), but masks must be worn.
- Wedding receptions, wakes and other similar functions must comply with the restrictions at the venue the function is occurring at.

#### **Face masks**

- Face masks must be carried at all times when a person is outside their residence.
- They must be worn outdoors when social distancing is not possible, and on public transport and in taxi or rideshare.
- Masks must be worn in all indoor spaces (except the home), such as the supermarket.
- In indoor workplaces masks must be worn where people can't physically distance, except if it is unsafe to do so. A person may remove a mask for eating and drinking.
- There are some exceptions to face masks, such as children under 12 and people with certain medical conditions.

#### **Protecting our most vulnerable**

- Restrictions will remain in place on visitors to hospitals, aged care, disability accommodation services, correctional facilities.
- We understand the impact this will have for people visiting loved ones over Easter.

# Agenda Item 4

## Vaccination

Paper 1: Queensland COVID-19 Vaccination Program Update

Paper 2: State Supply

Paper 3: Vaccination Responsibility

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# Queensland COVID19 Vaccination Program Update

19:00 hrs AEST 31 March 2021

## 1) Vaccine doses delivered as at 23:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021

As at 23:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021, **129,785 vaccine doses have been delivered to QH Vaccination Locations** across Queensland (details regarding the distribution of vaccine across Queensland HHS are outlined in the tables below).

- **Pfizer vaccine** – 53,625 cumulative doses delivered to date (based on 5 doses per vial)
- **AstraZeneca vaccine** – 76,160 cumulative doses delivered to date. In the past week (since 25<sup>th</sup> March) 28,800 doses or nearly 40% of the total AstraZeneca has been received.

A total of 71,942 vaccines doses have been administered so far, this means **57,843 vaccine doses remain in stock on hand** available for Queensland HHS to use. These are currently being held across the 58 Operational sites in Queensland.

### Cumulative doses of Pfizer vaccine delivered to Queensland HHS as at 23:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021

	Cumulative trays of Pfizer vaccine delivered	Cumulative vials of Pfizer vaccine delivered to date (195 vials per tray)	Cumulative doses of Pfizer vaccine delivered to date (5 doses per vial)	Cumulative doses delivered to date (6 doses per vial)
Gold Coast	13	2,535	12,675	15,210
Metro South	14	2,730	13,650	16,380
Metro North	10	1,950	9,750	11,700
Cairns and Hinterland	6	1,170	5,850	7,020
Sunshine Coast	6	1,170	5,850	7,020
Townsville	6	1,170	5,850	7,020
<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>10,725</b>	<b>53,625</b>	<b>64,350</b>

### Cumulative doses of AstraZeneca vaccine delivered to Queensland HHS as at 23:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021

Facility	Cumulative boxes of AstraZeneca vaccine delivered	Cumulative Doses of AstraZeneca delivered to date
Atherion Hospital	10	800
Bundaberg Hospital	49	4280
Cairns Hospital	24	2200
Central Pharmacy	16	1,600
Central West Mobile Clinics	42	3,800



Facility	Cumulative boxes of AstraZeneca vaccine delivered	Cumulative Doses of AstraZeneca delivered to date
Children's Health	20	1,600
Gold Coast University Hospital	51	4,360
Ipswich Hospital	38	3,040
Logan Hospital	40	3,200
Mackay Base Hospital	42	3,360
Mater	82	7,400
Mount ISA Base Hospital	21	1,840
Nambour Hospital	36	3,400
PAH	26	2,600
QEII Jubilee Hospital	54	5,000
Redlands Hospital	20	1,600
Rockhampton Hospital	24	1,920
Roma Hospital	21	1,840
Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital	132	10,560
Thursday Island Hospital	29	2,520
Toowoomba Hospital	43	3,440
Townsville Hospital	40	3,800
Wesley	20	2,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>880</b>	<b>76,160</b>

## 2) Vaccine doses administered as at 23:59 hrs 30 March 2021

As at 23:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021, **71,942** vaccinations have been administered across Queensland

- Pfizer vaccine total doses administered – 43,625
- AstraZeneca vaccine total doses administered – 28,317

**Total Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccinations administered by Queensland Health as at 23:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021**

Vaccine Site	Doses administered 30/03/2021	Total doses administered
Pfizer Total	3,056	43,625
AstraZeneca Total	3,753	28,317
<b>Vaccine Total</b>	<b>6,809</b>	<b>71,942</b>

**Total Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccinations administered by Queensland HHS as at 23:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021**

Hospital and Health Service	Abbrev.	Administered prior 24hr	Cumulative total to date
Cairns and Hinterland	CHHHS	495	5,935
Central Queensland	CQHHS	222	1,603
Central West	CWHHS	279	1,455
Children's Health Queensland	CHQHHS	79	539
Darling Downs	DDHHS	317	2,893
Gold Coast	GCHHS	873	13,526
Mackay	MHHS	174	1,239
Mater Health Services	Mater	385	2,105
Metro North	MNHHS	1,718	17,215
Metro South	MSHHS	876	12,245
North West	NWHHS	56	513
South West	SWHHS	18	175
Sunshine Coast	SCHHS	340	3,435
Torres and Cape	TCHHS	52	586
Townsville	THHS	551	5,081
West Moreton	WMHHS	162	1,211
Wide Bay	WBHHS	212	2,186
<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>6,809</b>	<b>71,942</b>

### 3) Estimate vaccine stock on hand in Queensland as part of the State COVID-19 Vaccination Program as at 11:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021

- It is estimated that:
  - Queensland has approximately 10,000 Pfizer doses and 47,843 AstraZeneca doses remaining on hand.
  - The remaining Pfizer stock on hand will enable sites to provide 3 days of Pfizer vaccinations if Pfizer Hubs administered doses in line with their max throughput over the prior 10 days.
  - The remaining AstraZeneca stock on hand will enable sites to provide 12 days of AstraZeneca vaccinations if AstraZeneca Vaccination Locations administer doses in line with their max throughput for the prior 10 days.
- The timing of deliveries has also contributed to Queensland having higher stock on-hand. **Since Thursday 25th March Queensland has received 28,800 doses of AstraZeneca – This represents nearly 40% of the total 76,160 AstraZeneca Queensland Health has received.**

#### Limitations of these estimates are identified below:

- Estimates draw from multiple data sources and the date at which these sources have been updated range between 23:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021 and 16:00 hrs AEST 31 March 2021.

- Estimate stock on hand in Queensland as part of the State COVID-19 Vaccination Program has been calculated for this report by subtracting cumulative doses administered from cumulative doses delivered, and therefore does not account for wastage.
- The Taskforce is working with HHS to be able to understand remaining stock on hand at each Vaccination Location at the end of each day. Currently this data is captured via a stock management form however there are several challenges with relying on the stock management reports submitted including inconsistent data submission by HHS and the quality of information captured.
- Days left of vaccination have been calculated based on the max throughput of Vaccination Locations for the prior 10 days; this does not account for any additional Vaccination Locations planned to go-live in the coming weeks, nor the ramp down of outreach clinics.

#### 4) Considerations for ongoing AstraZeneca deliveries within the context of the Queensland Health Program

- The National Influenza Vaccination Program is rolled out nationally each year
- Well before commencement of the program, jurisdictions are provided with a vaccine supply plan
- The supply plan provides visibility of the entire season (a min 12-16 weeks) by Australian jurisdiction
- The plan details:
  - volume
  - brand
  - delivery week
  - amount per jurisdiction
- The plan also clearly details the national stockpile being held in the event jurisdictions need to draw down on it. There is a standardised approach to this, approved by AHPPC.
- Now that AZ is being manufactured on shore, the Taskforce strongly recommends that the Commonwealth take a similar approach to AZ. Jurisdictions need a rolling 12 week supply plan showing their allocated amounts as well as the amount being held centrally as a reserve.
- Note: For National Immunisation Program childhood vaccine, QLD aims to hold at least 2 months of 'buffer' stock in its bulk vaccine warehouse to buffer against disruption to supply. Providers are also supplied 6 weeks worth of stock in their monthly vaccine orders as 'buffer' stock to accommodate any unexpected increases in demand, before their next monthly order.

#### 5) Current Priority Group 1a vaccination data as at 23:59 hrs AEST 30 March 2021

- The initial priority for Queensland has been to vaccinate persons falling within the Phase 1a prioritisation with Queensland government committed to having offered all eligible persons within the Phase 1a prioritisation an opportunity to be vaccinated by 31 March 2021.
- All but one Hospital and Health Service (HHS) Chief Executives have provided signed letters of assurance to Ms Bronwyn Nardi, State Director, COVID-19 Vaccination Taskforce, with accompanying evidence to demonstrate completion of Phase 1a or a plan to finalise 1a.

- Vaccination is not mandatory and remains a personal choice. In addition some people have been on leave and have chosen to be vaccinated on their return to work, while others have chosen to be vaccinated by their regular general practitioner, others have not disclosed the reason for not being vaccinated at this time even if offered vaccination.
- It is noteworthy that the 1a cohort will continue to remain a priority across the vaccination program so 1a priority staff can present for vaccination at any time. In addition, due to staff rotation and staff turnover the 1a priority group will continue to manage ongoing throughout the vaccination program.
- As at midnight 30 March 2021, at least 49,257 persons have received their first dose of Pfizer or AstraZeneca vaccine and 9,389 of these persons have received the second vaccine dose. The majority of persons receiving a first dose are within Phase 1A and all persons receiving a second dose are Phase 1A. Some areas of the state have commenced vaccinating persons in Phase 1B and accordingly some first doses are now attributable to Phase 1B persons.
- ICT systems involved in capturing vaccination data to date have not distinguished between Phase 1A and Phase 1B. Continuous development of these digital solutions is underway to support reporting of Phase 1B cohort; balancing between accurate and reliable data capture and enabling safe and efficient delivery, without significantly hampering user experience and stability of the systems.

Phase 1a priority group	1st Dose	2nd Dose	Total vaccinations
<b>OVERALL TOTALS</b>			
<b>Frontline healthcare workers</b> <i>Includes COVID-19 frontline doctors and nurses, QAS staff and fever clinic staff</i>	25,078	3,730	28,808
<b>Quarantine and border workers</b> <i>Includes Border Force, MSQ, Defence Force and hotel quarantine staff</i>	3,221	925	4,146
<b>Other</b> <i>Includes opportunist vaccinations (primarily to avoid wastage) and other healthcare workers and other emergency workers (from Priority Category 1b) and all uncategorised vaccinations</i>	20,836	4,663	25,499
<b>Other 1A</b> <i>Includes laboratory and pathology staff</i>	122	71	193
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49,257</b>	<b>9,389</b>	<b>58,646</b>

Data Limitations

- Includes HHS - Cairns and Hinterland, Gold Coast, Metro North, Metro South, Sunshine Coast, Townsville, West Moreton
- Data validation exercises may result in retrospective changes to vaccination administration totals. Continuity of data will be ensured by consistent use of the digital solution QVCMS across all HHSs.
- Data reported is point in time based on data submissions available.
- The CVMS 'priority group' field defaults to 'QH', which means that the number of 1a QH frontline healthcare workers could be artificially inflated and may incidentally include border workers and 1b workers (e.g. other healthcare workers and emergency workers)

## 6) Current vaccination numbers across jurisdictions as available at 17:30hrs AEST 30 March 2021

VACCINATION DATA – BY JURISDICTION (as per National Incident Report)									
	AUS	QLD	NSW	VIC	WA	SA	TAS	NT	ACT
<b>Jurisdictions</b>	363,710	65,129	102,575	92,765	47,701	24,145	13,750	7,364	10,281
<b>Aged Care</b>	86,610	18,878	22,530	19,803	7,507	8,581	4,271	913	4,127
<b>GP / GPRC</b>	146,858	28,584	48,005	35,963	11,343	12,468	6,000	956	3,539
<b>ACCHO</b>	345	0	127	138	17	36	0	10	17
<b>Past 24 hours</b>	55,764	11,792	116,679	14,485	5,309	4,096	1,922	559	922
<b>Cumulative total</b>	597,523	112,591	173,237	134,184	66,568	45,230	24,021	9,243	17,964

Notes:

- Queensland figures will not match the table above as the national data does not include the latest reporting date.
- Cumulative totals for states and Commonwealth contracted service providers may be adjusted daily due to ongoing data cleansing and verification.

### Data limitations

- Data reported is point in time based on data submissions available.
- Data entry and validation occurs throughout the day.
- Data cleansing is necessary as transcription/data entry errors can occur when data is manually entered into the system.
- Manual submissions only provide total doses and do not differentiate between first and second dose.
- Manual submissions do not include priority group
- Manual submissions cannot be retrospectively added back into the COVID-19 Vaccination Management System (CVMS) at this stage
- The CVMS 'priority group' field defaults to 'QH', which means that the number of 1a QH frontline healthcare workers could be artificially inflated and in fact include border workers and other 1b healthcare workers



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## State Supply Summary

31 March 2021 – not for further distribution



Source: QH Vaccine Command Centre

# AstraZeneca vaccine inventory by HHS

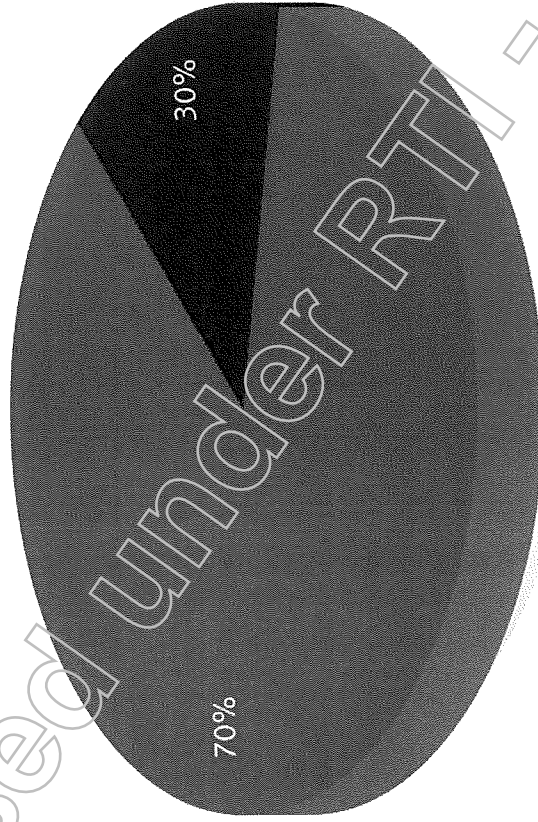
	Vaccine stock levels by HHS	Stock delivered as at 12:00 hrs AEST 30 Mar 2021	Cumulative doses administered as at 12:00 hrs AEST 30 Mar 2021	Calculated remaining stock on hand	Max throughput at a HHS level in the previous 10 days	Days remaining based on doses administered in previous 24 hours
Cairns and Hinterland	3,000.0	406.0	2,594.0	85.0	30.5	
Central Queensland	2,420.0	1,603.0	792.0	236.0	3.4	
Central West	4,400.0	1,455.0	2,865.0	260.0	11.0	
Children's Health Queensland	2,900.0	539.0	1,559.0	106.0	14.7	
Darling Downs	4,140.0	2,893.0	547.0	317.0	1.7	
Gold Coast	4,860.0	70.0	4,790.0	70.0	68.4	
Mackay	3,360.0	1,239.0	2,113.0	197.0	10.7	
Mater Health Services	8,600.0	2,105.0	2,095.0	385.0	5.4	
Metro North	17,460.0	8,686.0	8,739.0	1,105.0	7.9	
Metro South	12,900.0	4,176.0	8,684.0	324.0	26.8	
North West	1,840.0	513.0	1,315.0	56.0	23.5	
South West	2,340.0	175.0	2,166.0	27.0	80.2	
Sunshine Coast	3,400.0	174.0	3,214.0	103.0	31.2	
Torres and Cape	2,520.0	586.0	1,933.0	88.0	22.0	
Townsville	4,800.0	300.0	3,497.0	117.0	29.9	
West Moreton	3,540.0	1,211.0	2,329.0	162.0	14.4	
Wide Bay	4,280.0	2,186.0	2,092.0	212.0	9.9	
<b>Total</b>	<b>86,760.0</b>	<b>28,317.0</b>	<b>51,324.0</b>	<b>3,850.0</b>	<b>13.3</b>	

Source: QH Vaccine Command Centre

# Pfizer vaccine inventory by Pfizer Hub

	Vaccine stock levels by HHS Stock delivered as at 17:00 hrs AEST 31 Mar 2021	Cumulative doses administered as at 12:00 hrs AEST 30 Mar 2021	Calculated remaining stock on hand	Doses administered in previous 24 hrs	Days remaining based on doses administered in previous 24 hours
Cairns and Hinterland	7,800.0	5,529.0	2,271.0	433.0	5.2
Gold Coast	14,690.0	13,456.0	1,234.0	803.0	1.5
Metro North	9,750.0	8,523.0	1,221.0	613.0	2.0
Metro South	13,650.0	8,069.0	5,581.0	504.0	11.1
Sunshine Coast	5,885.0	3,261.0	2,624.0	269.0	9.8
Townsville	5,850.0	4,781.0	1,069.0	434.0	2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>57,625.0</b>	<b>43,625.0</b>	<b>14,000.0</b>	<b>3,056.0</b>	<b>4.6</b>

# COVID-19 VACCINATION RESPONSIBILITY



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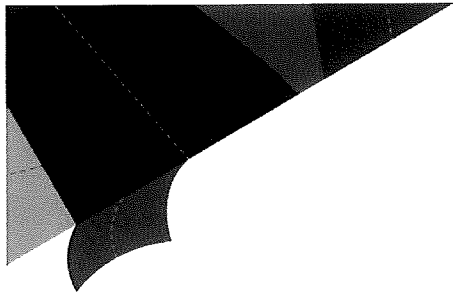
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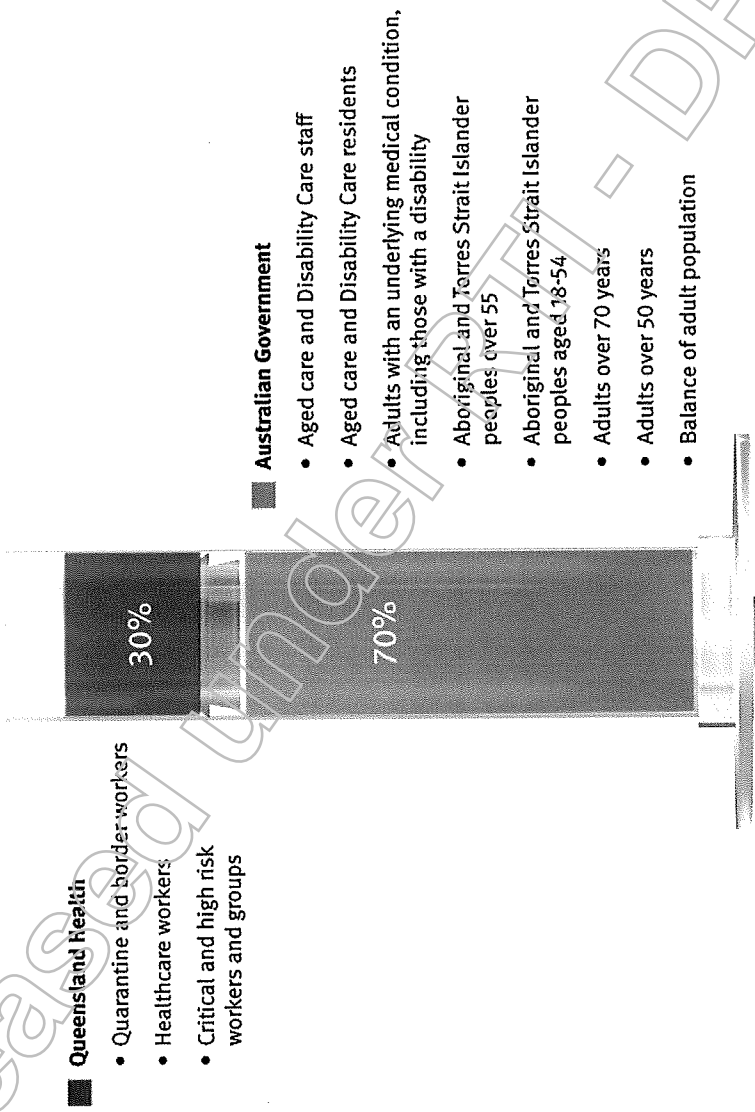
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