



# COVID-19 VACCINATION

## COVID-19 Vaccination in Community Pharmacy (CVCP) Program

### In-reach FACT SHEET

Version 1 – February 2024

#### Requirements for Off-Site Vaccinations

Pharmacies may conduct off-site vaccinations if both the pharmacy and the off-site vaccination location are in State/s and/or Territory/s which have appropriate regulatory arrangements that allow pharmacists to vaccinate off-site. Pharmacies must ensure they are aware of and adhere to the relevant requirements of the relevant State /Territory. It is the pharmacy's responsibility to check these requirements are met before requesting approval from the PPA.

Off-site vaccinations may be undertaken within the following distances from the pharmacy:

- Metropolitan pharmacies located in Modified Monash (MM) 1 locations may administer vaccinations at off-site locations within a 10km radius of the pharmacy premises.
- Pharmacies located in MM2-7 (regional, rural and remote) locations may administer vaccinations at off-site locations within a 100km radius of the pharmacy premises.

This radius may be increased only for situations where the pharmacy has ensured there are no other participating pharmacies offering COVID-19 vaccinations (either on-site or off-site) and located within a 10km / 100km radius of the proposed vaccination site who may be impacted. Pharmacies should retain evidence of how they have substantiated this and approach PPA to seek endorsement from the Department.

Where the service is delivered off-site of the Community Pharmacy premises, the pharmacy must ensure that both the Department requirements for conducting off-site vaccinations and any jurisdictional requirements are met, taking into consideration the delivery model and location of the target population.

- Pharmacies should ensure they have read and follow the National Vaccine Storage Guidelines 'Strive for 5' for packing and monitoring vaccinations while off-site.
- Where a service is to be delivered off-site in the patient's home, consideration should be given to the safety of the staff providing the vaccination service and whether the location is appropriate.

## Approval Process

Pharmacies must notify the PPA of their intention to deliver vaccinations off-site from the pharmacy premises.

This will enable the pharmacy to administer vaccines to any eligible patient cohort in any eligible location (refer to requirements below) and notification must only be made once.

Pharmacies must initially email the PPA at [support@ppaonline.com.au](mailto:support@ppaonline.com.au) and include:

- The pharmacy name, address, and Section 90 number; and
- A written declaration indicating that the pharmacy will meet the Requirements for Off-Site Vaccinations set out in the CVCP Program Rules.

## CVCP Program Fees

The following CVCP Program fees are available for Pharmacies who meet the requirements. Please note for payment purposes the Modified Monash (MM) classification in the table below relates to the pharmacy's location, not the location of the patient.

CVCP Program Service Fees from 1 February 2024		
Service Fee Description	MM1 Fee	MM2-7 Fee
COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Payments	\$27.50	\$30.65
<b>Flag fall Payment (in reach for vulnerable patients)</b>	<b>\$123.00</b>	

Further information can be found in the [CVCP-Program-Rules.pdf](#) or by contacting the PPA Support Centre, between 9am to 8pm (AEST), Monday to Friday on [support@ppaonline.com.au](mailto:support@ppaonline.com.au) or 1800 951 285.

## In-reach Vaccinations

If you are providing off-site vaccinations, it is still your responsibility as the vaccinator to upload the vaccination information to the AIR within 24 hours where reasonably practicable and no later than 10 working days after vaccination.

The information contained in this factsheet is current as at 1 January 2024 please remember to always check the [PPA website and CVCP Program Rules](#) as well to ensure information is always current.