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SA COVID-Ready Plan

This week, the Premier released details of the South Australian [COVID-Ready Plan](#), outlining the safe easing of restrictions and how COVID-19 will be managed in South Australia.

The Plan details the lifting of jurisdictional borders as of 23 November when it is expected that South Australia will reach 80% vaccination rates with a further lifting of restrictions on activities when 90 per cent of South Australians (over the age of 12 years) are fully vaccinated against COVID-19.

As you may be aware the State Coordinator, Police Commissioner Grant Stevens, [made a direction pursuant to section 25 Emergency Management Act 2004](#), in order to manage the impact of COVID-19 on the SA health system.

Recent updates to this order include a direction for any person working in specified workplace settings to be fully vaccinated or have their first COVID-19 vaccination and their second vaccination scheduled within the interval recommended by ATAGI.

This means for any DTF employee who is employed/or attends a setting where it is mandatory to be vaccinated under a Emergency Management Direction, for the purpose of their employment, they will be asked to present evidence that they are vaccinated.

Still time to vaccinate

For now, each agency's approach to the vaccination of its workforce will differ across the public sector depending on the services it provides.

Depending on your role, certain employee groups must be vaccinated because of an Emergency Management Direction. Although this does not apply to our general agency setting, it may have implications if you are mobilised to assist with COVID-19 efforts or in some cases where our employees are required to work within settings which fall under the direction. If this applies to your role, further information will be provided by your branch head.

Regardless of your role, vaccination is still the most significant control to decrease the severity of COVID and reduce the probability of hospitalisation. All the other controls currently in place regarding physical distancing, masks, hygiene, cleaning, and sanitising remain extremely important to minimise the risk of transmission.

Across South Australia there are a range for vaccination providers where you can get vaccinated. Information on vaccination clinics, sites and how to book your appointment is available at <https://www.covidvaccine.sa.gov.au/>

For further information on vaccinations, the latest health advice, or the timeline to reduce the COVID-19 restrictions, please visit www.covid-19.sa.gov.au.

Voluntary vaccination disclosure

Outside of what is specified in the direction, the SA Government is yet to mandate vaccinations in other public sector workplaces. However, to prepare us for any potential future changes, you may be happy to voluntarily provide this information to your Manager or Team Leader now.

If you choose to voluntarily disclose your vaccination status you can complete the form using the link below to do so. Once completed and proof of vaccination is verified by your manager, please forward a scanned copy to [WHS & Wellbeing Team](#) for updating on the CHRIS payroll system. An online form will be developed in the near future which will make it as easy as possible for you to disclose your status. Further information will be provided when this form becomes available for use.

If you have any new or additional concerns around your risk related to COVID-19 as a result of your personal circumstances, we continue to encourage you to discuss these

directly with your manager or seek further support from one of our Employee Assistance Providers.

COVID-19 VOLUNTARY VACCINATION DISCLOSURE FORM

Protecting your personal data

DTF have put all possible measures in place to protect your disclosure of your vaccination status. All information will be saved securely in CHRIS21. We will maintain this record until it is no longer needed.

If your vaccination status changes, you will be able to update your disclosure by completing a new form.

Please refer to the State Records of South Australia's [website](#) for more information on the principles that guide the public sector's data collection.



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