



Primary Care Vaccine Roll-out

Provider Bulletin

23 March 2023

Bulletins provide you with regular updates and guidance on the COVID-19 Vaccine Program.

Key Messages

BIVALENT VACCINES

The updated **COVID-19 vaccine Comparison Poster** has been developed to help avoid vaccine administration errors.

What's new?

- Moderna bivalent BA.4-5 pre-filled syringe has been added.
- AstraZeneca vaccine has been removed.
- Images of vaccines vials have been added to the poster – supporting visual recognition of the vaccine.
- Vaccines are now split by monovalent vaccines and bivalent vaccines (as opposed to primary course vaccines and booster vaccines)

Additional Orders

The maximum allocation for **Moderna Bivalent (BA.1) 18 years+ (Blue/Green)** is 50 doses. Sites are now able to place additional orders for **Moderna Bivalent (BA.1) 18 years+ (Blue/Green)** in CVAS.

A link will be visible on the Orders tab stating '*If you are running low on stock and require additional doses, you can Request an Additional Order*'. By clicking the '*Request an Additional Order*' link you can enter your requested vaccine product, number of doses and whether you require paired consumables to match the requested order.

Please note, if you have not yet placed an order for the requested vaccine product in your regular order cycle, you will be redirected instead to place an order through the New Order button in the Orders tab.

Moderna Declarations

Moderna Bivalent (BA.4-5) 12 years+ (PFS) is now available to all sites providing bivalent vaccines. You may need to complete your **Site Readiness Checklist and Declaration** for the product to be visible in CVAS. If you require assistance, please call the Vaccine Operations Centre (VOC) on 1800 318 208.

REMINDERS

AstraZeneca Vaccine Expiry and Offboarding Reminder

All AZ vaccine doses expired on 20 March 2023. Please check your fridges to report any wastage in CVAS. The vaccines should then be disposed of as per existing state and territory guidelines for the disposal of clinical waste and schedule 4 medication. If there is a wastage event of 10 or more vials a Major Wastage Report will need to be completed in CVAS as soon as possible. If there are less than 10 vials, the reporting should be completed in the minor wastage section in the weekly Vaccine Stock Management Report **due no later than 9pm Friday that week.**

Once a site's stock on hand shows zero for AZ and all reporting has been completed in CVAS for this vaccine product, it will be deactivated on your behalf, unless you have already requested deactivation.

RESOURCES

Moderna Bivalent (BA.4-5)

- The **Factsheet** (attached) provides further information about the Moderna Bivalent (BA.4-5) 12 years+ (PFS) vaccine.
- The **Don't forget to check** poster (attached) has a minor edit to ensure it is still relevant for the Moderna bivalent BA.4-5 pre-filled syringe (PFS).
- A new training module for the Moderna Bivalent (BA.4-5) Pre-filled Syringe (PFS) booster vaccine, Additional Module 3d, has now been added to the **COVID-19 Vaccination Training Program**. Moderna Bivalent (BA.4-5) 12 years+ (PFS) vaccine is the only COVID-19 vaccine currently available as a PFS.
- The 14 March **Webinar** included information about the Moderna Bivalent (BA.4-5) pre-filled syringe including a "show and tell" of the product.

General

- The **FAQ's** (attached) are to assist sites administering 2023 Booster Doses.
- The updated **COVID-19 vaccine Comparison Poster** has been developed to help avoid vaccine administration errors.
- The **ATAGI recommended COVID-19 vaccines and doses** poster has been re-developed to illustrate the ATAGI 2023 Booster Advice.
- The updated **ATAGI Clinical Guidance** has been updated to reflect the ATAGI 2023 booster advice.
- The **AIR table** (attached) is a reminder of the AIR codes that should be used for COVID-19 Vaccinations.