

9 September 2021

Local vaccination Super Saturdays to kick off for education workers and students

It's Super Saturday at the Mass Vaccination Centre, Wollongong this weekend. The event is the first of many to be offered by the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District (ISLHD) in a bid to increase community access to the AstraZeneca vaccine.

More than 600 priority AstraZeneca appointments will be made available over three consecutive Saturdays, and we are calling on all education workers (across all sectors including early childhood, pre-school, school, VET, and university), education students and healthcare students to roll up their sleeves and get their vaccination.

ISLHD Executive Director Nursing and Midwifery and Clinical Governance, Deborah Cameron, said the District is focused on making it as easy as possible for local educators and students to access the vaccine.

"We've had an overwhelmingly positive response to the opening of our mass vaccination centre in Wollongong and have administered about 27,000 doses of COVID vaccine over the last month," Ms Cameron said.

"We want to keep the momentum going by encouraging as many people as possible to come forward and get their jab.

We're inviting all education workers, education students and healthcare students, who have yet to receive the vaccine to make an appointment today."

AstraZeneca appointments will be offered to those aged 18 and over at the Mass Vaccination Centre located in Wollongong's Crown Street Mall (the old David Jones building). Access to the centre is via Globe Lane. Bookings are essential.

Details as follows:

Saturday 11 September – Education workers and education students

Time: 8am to 4pm

Location: Mass Vaccination Centre, Wollongong

Bookings: https://nswhvam.health.nsw.gov.au/vam?vaccine_center=2021096A

Saturday 18 and 25 September – Healthcare students

Time: 8am to 4pm

Location: Mass Vaccination Centre, Wollongong

Bookings: https://nswhvam.health.nsw.gov.au/vam?vaccine_center=2021907A

Those requiring assistance with making a booking can submit an enquiry via the [ISLHD website](#) or call our Bookings team directly on 1300 096 365.

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Walk-in AstraZeneca vaccinations continue to be available to all eligible people at the Mass Vaccination Centre in Wollongong and Shellharbour City Centre Clinic, on selected days:

Shellharbour City Centre Clinic

5-8 Memorial Drive, Shellharbour City Centre

AZ walk-in vaccination between 9.30am and 3pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Mass Vaccination Centre, Wollongong

Crown Street Mall, Wollongong (the old David Jones building) access via Globe Lane

AZ walk-in vaccination between 10am and 2pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and between noon and 4pm on Saturdays

People must not attend their vaccination appointment if they have any COVID-19 symptoms and should get tested and self-isolate until they receive a negative test result. People should also stay home if they are a close contact of a confirmed case.

The total number of vaccines administered in NSW is now 7,793,418 with 2,917,049 doses administered by NSW Health to 8pm last night and 4,876,369 administered by the GP network and other providers to 11:59pm on Tuesday 7 September 2021.

Information on when additional Pfizer vaccine appointments will be made available once allocation and supply details are received.

For more information about the COVID-19 Vaccination Program in NSW visit the [NSW Government website](#).