

Purpose:

To be Fully Informed before consenting or not consenting to the COVID vaccine.

Your voluntary, informed consent is needed before any medical procedure under the Australian Charter of Healthcare Rights. **The Dept of Health has provided you a visit to your GP to answer your questions about the health risks of the covid vaccine. The Prime Minister also encourages you to do this.**

On 2 July 2021, the Dept of Health announced the following: (source: [health.gov.au](https://www.health.gov.au))

" Access to the AstraZeneca vaccine is being expanded to adults under 40, with informed consent...

To further support the choice of people considering their vaccine options, from 29 June the Government is extending two Medicare items that allow GPs and other medical practitioners to provide in-depth clinical assessments of a patient's individual health risks and benefits. Already available for patients aged 50 years and over, these Medicare items will be available for all patients, regardless of age."

Extra funding has been given for this, [SEE HERE](#)

If you have questions/concerns about the vaccine, it is your right to book a consultation with a GP to address these.

Feel free to use the supplied questions to help you. Also, you can leave the letter for the GP and the bio-distribution data. [SEE ATTACHMENTS HERE](#)

Some extra points;

- Appointments should be face-to-face for this clinical assessment.
- Consider wearing a mask, even if exempt.
- Consider writing the answers to your questions down for your own record, and respectfully let the GP know if you do this.
- If a question is not answered, make a note of that. It's only possible to give fully informed consent when your questions can be answered and the risks to your health are known.