

Title	Vaccinate a person with an approved COVID-19 vaccine		
Level	3	Credits	6

Purpose	<p>People credited with this unit standard are able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • demonstrate knowledge of the vaccination site's emergency policy, emergency equipment and vaccine recipient areas; • carry out pre-vaccination requirements with a vaccine recipient; • vaccinate a person with an approved COVID-19 vaccine; • carry out post-vaccination requirements.
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Classification	Health, Disability, and Aged Support > Public Health Practice
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Available grade	Achieved
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Prerequisites	<p>Prior to the award of this unit standard candidates must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • provide evidence of holding a current CPR certificate; • observe all stages of the vaccination process for a minimum of five persons being vaccinated against COVID-19 in a vaccination setting; • complete the assessment requirements for Unit 32782, <i>Demonstrate knowledge of processes, safety, and emergency actions in a vaccination setting</i>, or other vaccinating support worker preparation programme approved by the Ministry of Health.
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Guidance Information

- 1 Assessment notes
Evidence generated for assessment against this standard must reflect requirements specified in:
 - any applicable statutes, regulations, and Codes of Practice, and/or
 - industry standards, and/or
 - organisational documentation, and/or
 - manufacturer instructions, and/or
 - Ministry of Health guidelines.
- 2 Definitions
Approved COVID-19 vaccine refers to a vaccine approved, or licensed, by the Ministry of Health.
Vaccine recipient may also be referred to as 'consumer' or 'patient' in some settings or contexts.

3 Resources

Medsafe Datasheet (2021). *COMIRNATY™ COVID-19 VACCINE 0.5 mg/mL concentrated suspension for injection*. Available at [comirnatyinj.pdf \(medsafe.govt.nz\)](#).

Ministry of Health (n.d.). *COVID-19: The vaccine and your privacy*. Available at [COVID-19: The vaccine and your privacy | Ministry of Health NZ](#).

Ministry of Health (n.d.). *COVID-19 vaccines*. Available at [COVID-19 vaccines | Unite against COVID-19 \(covid19.govt.nz\)](#).

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of the vaccination site's emergency policy, emergency equipment and vaccine recipient areas.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 The location of emergency equipment and supplies is identified, and the equipment's use is described.
- Range needles, syringes, masks, adult bag valve mask resuscitator, telephone, adrenaline supplies.
- 1.2 Vaccine recipient areas are identified.
- Range reception area, vaccination stations, observation area.
- 1.3 Site features that provide privacy for vaccine recipients are described.
- 1.4 Own role is described in accordance with the emergency policy.

Outcome 2

Carry out pre-vaccination requirements with a vaccine recipient.

Range five recipients.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 The vaccine recipient's identity is checked for accuracy against the COVID Immunisation Register (CIR) and consent form.
- 2.2 The vaccine recipient's vaccine number and timing are checked for compliance.
- Range dose 1 or dose 2, and interval between doses if dose 2.
- 2.3 The vaccine recipient's pre-vaccination screening assessment is checked for completion.

- 2.4 The vaccine recipient is advised of key features of the vaccination process.
- Range wait time following vaccination, how and where the vaccine will be administered, the person's expected responses to the vaccination.
- 2.5 The vaccine recipient is advised of possible post-vaccination side effects.
- 2.6 The vaccine recipient's authorisation to proceed (informed consent) is requested and acted on.
- 2.7 The informed consent response is recorded on the CIR.

Outcome 3

Vaccinate a person with an approved COVID-19 vaccine.

Range five recipients.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Hand hygiene is completed before and after contact with the person (the vaccine recipient) and before administering the vaccine.
- 3.2 The vaccine dose is checked.
- Range checks must include – expiry date and time, volume, appearance; and
may include – checking that the storage temperature is within range.
- 3.3 The syringe needle is checked for correct length for the vaccine recipient.
- 3.4 The vaccine is administered.
- 3.5 The needle and syringe are disposed of in a sharps container.
- 3.6 The vaccine recipient's vaccination site is checked, and if necessary, covered.
- 3.7 The vaccine recipient's condition is checked for any immediate adverse events.

Outcome 4

Carry out post-vaccination requirements.

Range five recipients.

Performance criteria

- 4.1 Required documentation is completed.
- Range must include – the vaccine recipient's vaccination card; and
may include but is not limited to – the CIR.

4.2 Aftercare advice is given to the vaccine recipient.

Range includes but is not limited to – explanation of signs and/or symptoms of expected and unexpected responses, and what to do if concerned.

4.3 The vaccine recipient is directed, or escorted, to the observation area.

Planned review date	31 December 2026
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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	29 July 2021	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	CMR 0024
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This CMR can be accessed at <https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact Careerforce info@careerforce.org.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.