Going to a drive-through vaccination clinic to get my COVID-19 vaccine
I am going to a drive-through vaccination clinic to get my COVID-19 vaccine. These clinics are big which means lots of people can get the COVID-19 vaccine at the same time.

The COVID-19 vaccine is a medicine given by a needle (injection) into my arm.

This will help to stop people catching and spreading COVID-19.

It can also stop people getting very sick from COVID-19.
There are rules to follow at the drive-through vaccination clinic. When I am told to stop the car, the motor/engine must be turned off. I will keep my window down at all times.
The staff will ask me if I have an appointment.

I will show them my appointment booking on my phone.

I will stay in my car and follow the signs and markers.

There will be staff in high-visibility vests to direct me to the correct lane.
When I drive through the clinic, there will be people to tell me where to stop.
I will check in using the QR code on my phone.

Staff will ask me to show them that I have checked in.

If I do not have a phone, I can write down my name and phone number.

All people in the car must check in.
I will have my temperature tested.
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I will need to change my mask for a new disposable one. This makes sure that everyone entering the clinic has a new clean mask. I will need to sanitise my hands before and after I touch the mask. All people in the car will need to do this.
The driver will be asked who in the car will be getting the vaccine.

I will need to show the staff my Medicare Card and photo ID.

A staff member will ask me some questions.
A sticker will be put on the windscreen.
This lets the staff at the clinic know that I have been through the checks.
The staff member will ask me some questions about my health. They will then talk to me about which vaccine I can get.
I will drive to the next stop.

A staff member will tell me where to go.
The nurse will talk to me about the COVID-19 vaccine. They may ask me some questions and talk about how I might feel after I have the vaccine. Then they will ask me to give my consent to have the vaccine. The nurse will ask me to take off my jumper or roll up my sleeve.
If I feel anxious about the injection, I can look away at something on the wall.

My support person could distract me.

I could ask the nurse if I could listen to some music or use a fidget item.
After I have had the injection, the nurse will put a band-aid and/or a cotton ball on my arm. Then I can choose to put my jumper back on, or roll down my sleeve.
The staff member will write a time on my car. This tells me what time I had my vaccination.
I will drive to the waiting area and park in the waiting area.

I will wait in the waiting area for 15 minutes.

This is 15 minutes from the time on the sticker on the car window. This happens after an injection.
I can set a timer on my phone.
I can listen to music and use fidget items while I wait.
I can use a hat/sunglasses to block out the light if it is too bright.
A staff member will speak to me after 15 minutes. They will ask me some question about how I feel. They will tell me I can leave.
I can now leave the vaccination clinic.
The Australian Government has lots of useful information about the COVID-19 vaccine.

You can read about:

What is the COVID-19 vaccine? – Easy Read

Who will get the vaccine? – Easy Read

The AstraZeneca vaccine – Easy Read

The Pfizer vaccine – Easy Read

Getting ready for the vaccination – Easy Read

What to expect when you have your vaccination – Easy Read

Giving your consent – Easy Read

Side effects you might have after your vaccination – Easy Read

Check for details on accessibility and access with your local drive-through vaccination clinic
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