



# NEWS ALERT

## COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE 26 NOVEMBER 2021



With the fourth wave already on the way, it is more urgent than ever to be vaccinated

### **HOT OFF THE PRESS:**



Vaccinations have been available to people over the age of 18 in South Africa since August. However, less than 25% of adults between 18 and 34 years have come forward to get their shots.



This is particularly low, and fake news on social media has been identified as a leading cause for this worrying trend. As South Africa is already seeing signs of the fourth wave starting, the need for people to be vaccinated becomes ever more urgent.



While experts are cautiously predicting fewer hospital admissions and deaths during the fourth wave, they warn that people's behaviour in the next few months will play a large role in determining the full impact of the next wave.



Of particular concern is the fact that people will do more socialising over the festive season, even as we are starting to see fatigue with COVID safety protocols.



COVID will be with us for some time yet, and South Africa will still see COVID-19 admissions and deaths for years to come. However, the higher the number of people vaccinated, the lower the transmission rate and numbers of hospitalisations and deaths.



Vaccination of the population provides a powerful tool to reduce severe illness and death.

If you are 12 years or older, register and get vaccinated:  
[vaccine.enroll.gov.za](https://vaccine.enroll.gov.za)

WhatsApp REGISTER to: 0600 123 456

Free SMS: \*134\*832#

Call 0860 142 142 weekdays 8AM–8PM

In person at a vaccination site

Until everyone has been fully vaccinated, it is important to protect those around you by adhering strictly to COVID-19 safety protocols:



Wear a mask



Sanitise your hands regularly



Maintain social distancing

CareWorks Contact Centre: 0800 24 36 72

Weekdays: 8AM to 5PM and Weekends: 8AM to 1PM

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