



# NEWS ALERT

## COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE 17 SEPTEMBER 2021



- Updated pregnancy guidelines
- New vaccine approved by SAHPRA

### *HOT OFF THE PRESS:*



COVID-19 vaccination is now recommended for any pregnant woman 18 years and older, during any stage of her pregnancy. The evidence showing that vaccination is safe in pregnancy continues to grow.



COVID-19 vaccination is also strongly recommended for non-pregnant women contemplating pregnancy, and for women who are breastfeeding.



Pregnant and postnatal women are at increased risk of severe COVID-19 disease compared to their non-pregnant counterparts.



The South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA) has authorised the CoronaVac COVID-19 vaccine, manufactured in China, for use in South Africa.



There are now four vaccines authorised for use in South Africa: Pfizer, J&J, AstraZeneca and CoronaVac. Currently, only two are being rolled out: Pfizer and J&J.

If you are 18 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 access to vaccines, 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

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