

When vaccinating young children – Remember to check: Spikevax (Moderna) 6 months – 5 years

Vaccine Preparation



Remember to check:

Thaw expiry date	30 days from thaw date
Manufacture expiry date	<u>Check current guidelines</u>
Time vial was first punctured	Up to 6 hours (up to 25°C)
Time the syringe was drawn up	Within 6 hours (if stored between 2°C to 8°C) OR within 1 hour (if stored between 8°C to 30°C) Drawn up doses should not be stored above 30°C
Vaccine type	Blue/purple - pediatric formula

DISCARD the vaccine if it exceeds expiry dates and times.

Checking AIR before administering the vaccine will help avoid vaccination administration errors.

Vaccine Administration



Remember to check:

Check the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) for the child's full immunisation history before administering vaccine*

Consent form completed?

Moderna 6 months - 5 years consent form



Right vaccine for the right patient?

- 6 months - 5 years of age
- Date of birth checked
- Are they severely immunocompromised
- Do they have a disability
- Complex and/or multiple health conditions which increase the risk of severe COVID-19



Right dose for this patient and cohort?

0.25ml (25µg per dose)



Right dose interval?

8 weeks



Has the vial been diluted (if required)?

DO NOT DILUTE

*Previous vaccination doses and their brand; the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI) do not recommend the use of mixed primary schedules in this age group
Booster doses are not currently recommended for patients in this age group [ATAGI Recommendations on the use of a booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine](#)

If you respond 'No' to any of the above, DO NOT administer the vaccine. Contact the Vaccine Operations Centre for further advice.

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