



# Media Release

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## **Second COVID vax clinic for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community to be held in Coolbellup on 1 December**

A second Roll Up for WA COVID-19 vaccination clinic for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community will be held in Coolbellup on Wednesday, 1 December.

The walk-in clinic will be held at the clubrooms at Len Packham Sporting Reserve, 96 Cordelia Avenue in Coolbellup from 11am to 2.30pm.

The City of Cockburn is supporting the Health Department to increase the rates of COVID vaccination in for local First Nation people.

Nearly 50 people received their vaccinations at the first City-supported clinic on 6 November.

According to the Australian Government's [Operation COVID Shield](#), as at 17 November in the Perth South West metropolitan region, 52.56 per cent of First Nation people aged 15 and over had received their first COVID-19 vaccination, and 37.82 per cent had received their second dose.

Long term member of the City's Aboriginal Reference Group, Aunty Jenny Knapp, said "Be safe and get vaccinated everyone!".

"This is a really deadly opportunity to protect our mob and our community, while coming together to have a moorditj day and support our community", said ARG Co-Chair Sally-Anne Greengrass.

City of Cockburn Family and Community Development Manager Barbara Freeman said the City had been liaising with its ARG, the local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, and the South Metropolitan Health Service to arrange the WA Health clinics.



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“This second clinic is intended for First Nation people and their families only, as other community members can receive their vaccinations at many other sites.”

Ms Freeman said the clinic was designed to help improve vaccination rates for Cockburn’s Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, some of whom were more vulnerable to experiencing the debilitating health consequences of contracting the virus.

“We will continue this work until the vaccination rates of our local First Nation community is the same as or better than the Perth metropolitan average.

“We hope many families will attend. The City is working with stakeholders to see what other encouragement and help can be provided to improve vaccination rates for Cockburn’s First Nation people.”

Tea, coffee and snacks will be provided at the clinic.

For more information, call the City on 9411 3444 or send an [email](#).

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