

Dear [YOUR LOCAL MEMBER],

I am writing to ask for your support in allowing Australian pharmacists to deliver more vaccines to patients of all ages.

The average Australian visits a pharmacy 18 times each year. That’s 18 opportunities to impart a health message and encourage them to get up to date with their vaccinations. When we are able to deliver those vaccines right from the pharmacy, we are taking down barriers to care.

As you are aware, pharmacists are highly trained healthcare professionals who are well-positioned to vaccinate all members of our communities. Throughout the pandemic we delivered more than 10 million COVID-19 vaccinations, on top of our business-as-usual vaccinations.

Worryingly, every jurisdiction has different regulations around the vaccinations that pharmacists can administer. This makes it difficult for many patients to know where they need to go to get vaccinated.

**The Federal Government can encourage vaccination uptake by leading national reform to standardise pharmacist-delivered vaccines across Australia.**

Australians should be able to access the same level of health care regardless of where they live. A nationally consistent schedule of pharmacist-administered vaccinations is key to achieve equitable access to government-funded vaccines by all Australians.

Allowing pharmacists around Australia to deliver all vaccinations to all ages, they’re sending a message to the public about the importance of vaccination.

Therefore I urge you to support pharmacists by lobbying your colleagues in the Federal Parliament to support vaccine uptake and allow us to better protect our communities from preventable illness.

Yours faithfully,

[YOUR NAME]