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Dear All

For consistency in messaging, please see below approved messaging for use to inform communities of the COVID-19 vaccine roll-out arrangements for Groote Eylandt.

COVID-19 VACCINATION ROLLOUT UPDATE

The COVID-19 vaccine rollout was originally planned for Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island communities in late April; however, dates were deferred due to changes in the national vaccine rollout.

The NT Government has been working closely with the Australian Government and has confirmed that all residents over the age of 16 of Groote and Bickerton are eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Information about the COVID-19 vaccine, including some information in language, is available at [Vaccinations | Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) \(nt.gov.au\)](https://www.nt.gov.au/health/vaccinations/coronavirus).

Essential frontline workers and key staff of local Groote organisations will be offered an opportunity to receive vaccinations on 13 and 14 May 2021. Bookings will be essential. Emails with booking information will be sent to those organisations invited to participate.

GEMCO will operate the Alyangula GEMCO vaccination program for its workforce and any Groote Eylandt residents wishing to book in, from 18 May – 2 July. GEMCO will provide further information to the community about this next week.

The broader NT Government led vaccination program for the Groote Eylandt and Bickerton Island communities of Angurugu, Umbakumba and Milyakburra and the satellite communities will take place as below. Bookings are not required and transport will be provided to assist people to get to the Clinics if needed. All people over the age of 16 are being offered the COVID-19 vaccine.

First dose offered to Groote and Bickerton residents:

Umbakumba – 22 and 23 June 2021

Angurugu – 21 to 25 June 2021

Milyakburra – 24 June 2021

Second dose to Groote and Bickerton residents:

Umbakumba – 20 and 21 July 2021

Angurugu – 19 to 23 July 2021

Milyakburra – 22 July 2021

Also attached are updated posters to support COVID-19 vaccine information campaigns.

Apologies in advance, for any duplication of this email. Please share with your networks.

Kind Regards

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