

Reporting vaccinations to the Australian Immunisation Register for persons without a Medicare Card number

It is now mandatory to report all COVID-19 and influenza vaccines given in Australia to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR). This includes persons without a Medicare card number.

If a patient isn't enrolled in Medicare and they don't have an AIR record, you will need their:

- full name date of birth
- gender
- address

You can create a record on the AIR site or continue to send vaccines via practice management software and this will create a record that will match to their Medicare record if they enrol later in Medicare.

NB: For providers using Medical Director in conjunction with PracSoft billing to report vaccination encounters, patients without a Medicare card number will not transmit to the AIR. This patient encounter will need to be reported through the AIR site.

Non-Medicare individuals can get their immunisation history statement through My Health Record if they:

- have an Individual Healthcare Identifier (IHI). They can get an IHI by completing the Request or update an Individual Healthcare Identifier form (MS003)
- link or register for My Health Record. Further information is detailed on the [Services Australia](#) website.

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