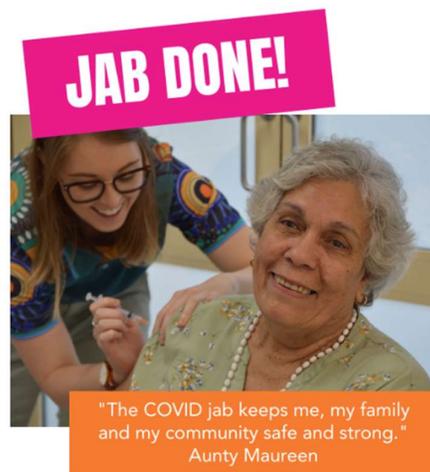




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## Wuchopperen is getting the jab done – and making it fun

This Saturday (18 September) Wuchopperen Health Service is hosting a second drop-in COVID-19 vaccine clinic at its Manoora facility. The first in the series of clinics was hosted three weeks ago on Saturday 28 August when 287 Wuchopperen clients had their first or second Pfizer jab.

“Our first Pfizer vaccine day was a huge success – and great fun,” said Wuchopperen Deputy CEO Rachael Ham. “Before we opened the doors and saw people were lined up at the gates, we knew we were in for a great community day – with a local and global health outcome.

“As an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community-controlled health organisation, we have the responsibility to provide the information, the access and the protection to our community members to help fight this pandemic. And while our objective with the community vaccine days is to get our community vaccinated, at the same time we want to offer a good day out for families.

“By offering entertainment and refreshments we’re encouraging people to come together with community and share stories, knowledge and reconnect in general.”

Wuchopperen staff are expecting over 300 community members at Saturday’s event, for their first or second dose of the Pfizer vaccine and encouraging all eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders (aged 12 years and over) who would like to receive their jab to join the party.

There will be live music from Justin Wellington and Miss Tee, a free BBQ cooked by the ‘Deadly Inspiring Youth Doing Good’ mob, kids activities and free entry to a lucky door prize for everyone who gets the jab.

“While we’re expecting good numbers at this Saturday’s event, and seeing a constant flow of people at our Manoora vaccine clinic, we can’t slow the momentum and won’t stop until we have the majority of our community vaccinated,” Mrs Ham said.

“Everyone is aware of how vulnerable our community is due to a higher incidence of chronic and underlying conditions; the vaccines will protect our people from the virus. I encourage all community members to talk to their extended family members before Saturday and come along, join the party and get the jab done!”

See over for more information about the event >>>>>





### **About the event**

- The Community Vaccine Day 2 will be held this Saturday (18 September) at the Moignard Street facility in Manoora from 9am – 3pm.
- Qualified staff will be available to answer any questions that community members may have about the COVID-19 vaccines.
- To be eligible for the Pfizer vaccine at the community vaccine event all attendees must be registered with Medicare.
- No appointments. Walk-in only.
- The Pfizer vaccine will be administered by Health Workers and nurses, supported by Wuchopperen GPs.
- All Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders aged 12 or over who can't make it to the event this Saturday can call the Health Service on 4225 8400 to make an appointment in the clinic for their first or second Pfizer jab.

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