

Media Release

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TLC FIRST TO VACCINATE AGED CARE RESIDENTS



Homestead Estate will receive Australia's first COVID-19 vaccines

TLC Healthcare (TLC) will be amongst the first aged care providers to vaccinate its residents against COVID-19. TLC has received confirmation that a government team will commence administering the vaccine to its residents at Homestead Estate, at Wallington outside Geelong, on Monday February 22, as early as 8:00am, as part of Phase 1A of the national vaccination roll-out strategy.

TLC Healthcare's CEO, Lou Pascuzzi says TLC's industry leading approach to COVID-19 will ensure safe and efficient administration of the vaccine. "Throughout the pandemic, all of TLC's 11 residential aged care homes across Melbourne and Geelong have been free of COVID-19. This is a testament to our industry leading strategy of incorporating primary care medical centres into our residential aged care homes.

"From Monday February 22, our team of general practitioners and chronic disease management nurses will be in our on-site medical centres supporting the delivery of the vaccine directly to our aged care residents. For the past several weeks our team have been undergoing extensive training in the delivery of the COVID-19 vaccine, and will provide a level of post-vaccination care and support to our residents that is not available elsewhere.

"TLC is the only aged care provider who has successfully incorporated primary care medical centres into all of our residential aged care homes. This strategy has ensured that our residents and staff have remained safe from COVID-19, and will provide an industry leading roll-out of the vaccination program.

"99% of our residents at Homestead Estate have consented to receiving the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine, minimizing the risk of any future contraction of the deadly virus" said Pascuzzi.

TLC operates 11 residential aged care homes, 10 medical centres, and a registered training organisation located across Melbourne and Geelong. At the time of this media release, all TLC locations remain COVID-19 free. For more information visit tlchealthcare.com.au

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