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Australia gives major boost to COVID-19 vaccination programme

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In a major boost to the COVID-19 vaccination program, the Australian government is ramping up the weekly number of doses of AstraZeneca being provided to general practices, services provided by general practitioners, across Australia.

With deliveries commencing next week, participating general practices which have been receiving 50 doses per week, will now receive 150 doses per week, and general practices receiving 100 doses per week, will now receive 200 doses per week.

The country is providing more vaccines to protect more Australians earlier, as it starts the next steps of vaccination programme for people 50 years and over, and ensure that priority populations can continue to access the vaccine as soon as possible.

Primary care vaccination sites have now administered more than 1.2 million vaccinations – more than half the total so far.

General practice is leading the rollout of the AstraZeneca vaccine to people aged 50 and over, and will continue to be an integral partner in the delivery of the national COVID-19 vaccination programme.