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NSW Rail construction workers encouraged to get set for Super Sunday

The Australasian Railway Association (ARA) has called on eligible rail construction workers to book their place at the NSW vaccination hub's Super Sunday this week to support their return to work.

ARA Chief Executive Officer Caroline Wilkie said Sunday's vaccination day for construction workers was welcome news as the industry introduced enhanced COVIDsafe measures.

"With more construction sites reopening this week, increasing vaccination rates will be a crucial part of getting more people back to work," Ms Wilkie said.

"I encourage any eligible rail construction workers to make the most of this opportunity to get vaccinated."

Construction workers from local government areas of concern can book an appointment at the Sydney Olympic Park vaccination hub, which will offer 8000 free vaccinations on the day.

Anyone aged 16-39 years will be able to access the Pfizer vaccine, while those over 39 years will have access to the AstraZeneca vaccine.

The ARA has written to Rail Industry Worker cardholders in local government areas of concern to confirm the NSW Government's advice on booking vaccinations.

People living in local government areas of concern will be nominated as authorised workers on rail construction sites if they have had two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine, had one dose of a vaccine at least three weeks before attending work, or have had one dose of the vaccine and received a negative COVID-19 test in the last 72 hours.

Ms Wilkie said the new measures would support a return to work for many rail construction workers while ensuring enhanced safety measures on sites reopening this week.

"The rail construction industry has maintained high safety standards throughout the pandemic to keep their essential work on track," she said.

"The enhanced measures now in place provide additional layers of safety on these critical projects."

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Rail construction workers in local government areas of concern have been contacted directly with booking information for this week's Super Sunday.

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