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Q fever is caused by the bacterium Coxiella burnetii which infects wild and domestic animals, and their ticks. Humans are mainly infected from cattle, sheep and goats. For further information about Q fever see Q fever | NT Health

Q fever vaccine is recommended for adolescents aged ≥15 years and adults who are at risk of infection with *C. burnetii*. See Q fever | The Australian Immunisation Handbook (health.gov.au)

Pre-vaccination testing before vaccinating

All people who are being considered for vaccination with Q fever vaccine **must have <u>serum antibody</u>** <u>testing</u> and <u>skin testing</u> before vaccination. See <u>Pre-vaccination testing</u>

Training to become a Q fever vaccine provider

Both <u>Seqirus Q Fever Facts</u> and the <u>ACRRM - Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine</u> provide online education on Q fever vaccination and skin testing.

Q fever vaccine and skin test

Both Q-Vax and Q-Vax Skin Test are supplied by Seqirus https://immunisationhandbook.health.gov.au/contents/vaccine-preventable-diseases/q-fever#vaccines-dosage-and-administration

Q fever test and vaccine providers NT

Location	Organisation Name	Address	Phone
Alice Springs	Bath Street Family Medical Centre	69 Bath Street Alice Springs NT 0870	08 8952 2000
Katherine	Bauhinia Health	36 First Street Katherine NT 0850	08 7903 2100
Katherine	Springdale Medical	15 Emungalan Road Katherine NT 0850	08 7999 8559
Darwin	Sonic Health Plus Darwin	22 Smith Street Darwin City NT 0800	08 8981 4233
Darwin	Territory Medical Group	55 Mitchell Street The Mitchell Centre Darwin NT 0800	08 8948 4333

NOTE: From April 2024 vaccination providers now report Q fever (Q-VAX) vaccines and natural immunity information to the Australian Immunisation Register. <u>Addition of Q fever vaccines to the Australian Immunisation Register</u>. The Q Fever Register no longer supports Q fever vaccination information.

