



# Pericarditis (AESI) & COVID-19 Vaccine Decision Guide

**Pericarditis Report to SAEFVIC**  
If this is recurrence or flare of previous pericarditis, please notify SAEFVIC urgently

**Abnormal troponin = myocarditis pathway**

**Abnormal ECG / Echo / CXR with normal troponin**

**Gather investigations / information**

**Investigations not available or not done**

**Normal investigations (ECG / Echo / CXR / Troponin)**

**Brighton Level 1-3**

**Brighton Level 4**

**Brighton Level 5**

**VicSIS referral recommended**

**VicSIS referral optional**

**VicSIS referral NOT recommended unless significant concerns.**

- > 60 yo (any sex)
- Female 18-59yo
- Male 30-59yo
- Female 12-17yo
- Male 18-29yo
- Male 12-17 yo
- > 60 yo (any sex)
- Female 18-59 yo
- Male 30-59 yo
- Female 12-17yo
- Male 18-29yo
- Male 12-17 yo
- All age groups

- Proceed with AZ / NX
- Consider NX, or mRNA after discussion with patient
- Consider mRNA vs wait for alternative vaccine
- Consider NX, otherwise do not proceed with vaccination
- Do not proceed with vaccination at this time. Individual risk & benefit discussion
- Proceed with AZ / NX
- Proceed with mRNA / NX
- Proceed with NX, or mRNA after discussion with patient
- Proceed with mRNA vs wait for alternative vaccine
- Consider NX, or mRNA after discussion with patient
- Consider mRNA vs wait for alternative vaccine
- Proceed with eligible vaccine

**Only proceed with further vaccination at a minimum of 6 weeks from initial symptom onset, and after symptoms have completely resolved**  
Brighton Criteria: Please see [https://brightoncollaboration.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Myocarditis-and-Pericarditis-appendices\\_validated.pdf](https://brightoncollaboration.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Myocarditis-and-Pericarditis-appendices_validated.pdf)

AZ = AstraZeneca\* mRNA = Spikevax (Moderna), Comirnaty (Pfizer) NX = Nuvaxovid (Novavax)\*  
\*not currently licensed for <18yo

Patient or Provider  
Info Evaluation  
Waiting Period / VicSIS  
Next Dose Decision (Dose 2 or Dose 3 / Booster)