

Notification of COVID-19 Vaccinations

Vaccination Cost:

Free

(Fully Paid by
the Government)

The Vaccination Process

1 Check When You Can Receive the Vaccine

The COVID-19 vaccine is scheduled to be given first to healthcare professionals, then to the elderly, then to people with underlying diseases, and so on. Please check when your turn is for vaccination, and wait until then.

- Please wait for an announcement from the government. You can also check the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare website, or your local municipal office.
- For more information about how “elderly” and “underlying diseases” are defined, see the back of this notification.
- Although you may have to wait for some time, the vaccine will eventually be available to everyone who wishes to receive it, in order of priority. We thank you for your patience.

2 Find a Medical Institution/Vaccination Venue

Use materials provided by your municipality, or the internet, to find a medical institution or other venue where you can receive the vaccine.

For details, please refer to the [Corona Vaccine Navi general vaccination information website](#), to the right.

Corona Vaccine Navi website address: <https://v-sys.mhlw.go.jp>

- If you cannot find a medical institution or venue, inquire with your local municipality.
- Vaccines are provided in the municipality where your address is registered on your residence certificate (*juminhyo*), except for people who are hospitalized or admitted to a facility. Refer to the back of this notification for vaccination in areas other than said address area.
- You cannot make a vaccination appointment directly through the Corona Vaccine Navi website.



Corona Vaccine Navi
2D Barcode

3 Make an Appointment and Receive the Vaccine

Please follow the instructions of your local government regarding when and where to receive your vaccination, and what to bring with you on the day of your vaccination.

- Before your vaccination, check your body temperature at home. If you have an obvious fever or feel unwell, please contact your local municipality office or the medical institution where you made your appointment, and do not come in for your vaccination.
- Wear clothes that will make it easy to uncover your upper arm.
- For full effect, you must receive a second injection of the same type of vaccine, after a certain period of time. When you receive your first injection, please check when you will be able to receive the second injection.
- The enclosed vaccination ticket card includes two vaccination tickets and vaccination certificate, on a single sheet. Please bring it with you for both injections, and do not remove it from the backing paper or tear it apart.

◎ Start of Vaccinations in the Elderly

We plan to start vaccinations with people who will be at least 65 years of age during the 2021 fiscal year (people born on or before April 1, 1957); the vaccine will be split into multiple different periods within this group.

◎ What Are Considered “Underlying Diseases”?

Vaccination of people with underlying diseases is scheduled to begin after vaccination of the elderly. The following are considered “underlying diseases” (as of February 1, 2021; these may change).

(1) People who see a doctor, or who are hospitalized, for any of the following diseases or conditions:

1. Chronic respiratory disease
2. Chronic heart disease (including hypertension)
3. Chronic kidney disease
4. Chronic liver disease (excluding fatty liver and chronic hepatitis)
5. Diabetes mellitus treated with insulin or drugs
or diabetes mellitus as a complication of another disease
6. Blood diseases (excluding iron-deficiency anemia)
7. Diseases that reduce immune function (including cancer under treatment)
8. Current use of steroids or other treatments that reduce immune function
9. Neurological disorders and neuromuscular diseases associated with immune abnormalities
10. Physical dysfunction (respiratory disorders, etc.) due to neurological disorders or neuromuscular diseases
11. Chromosomal abnormalities
12. Severe physical and mental disabilities (severe physical deformity alongside severe intellectual disability)
13. Sleep apnea syndrome

(2) People who meet criteria to be considered “overweight” (BMI of 30 or higher)

- BMI = Body weight (kg) ÷ Height (m) ÷ Height (m)
- Rough guidelines for BMI of 30: a 170 cm person who weighs 87 kg, or a 160 cm person who weighs 77 kg

Vaccinations of employees of facilities for the elderly are scheduled to begin during the same period.

◎ Vaccination at Locations Other Than the Address Registered on Your Residence Certificate (*Juminhyo*)

- Receiving the vaccine while hospitalized or otherwise admitted to a medical institution or facility
➔ Please ask at the medical institution or facility.
- Receiving the vaccine while at a medical institution for treatment of an underlying disease
➔ Please ask at the medical institution.
- Current home differs from registered address
➔ You may be able to receive the vaccine where your current home is.
Check the Corona Vaccine Navi website, or contact your local municipal office.

◎ Your Consent is Required in Order to Receive the Vaccine

If you are currently being treated for any disease or are worried about the vaccination for any reason, such as your physical condition, please see your primary care doctor to discuss whether you should receive the vaccine.

For more information on the effectiveness and safety of the COVID-19 vaccine, please see the special page about the vaccine on the Prime Minister's Office of Japan website.

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If you cannot view the website, please inquire with your local municipality.

For Further Information

Please contact your local government's vaccination office.