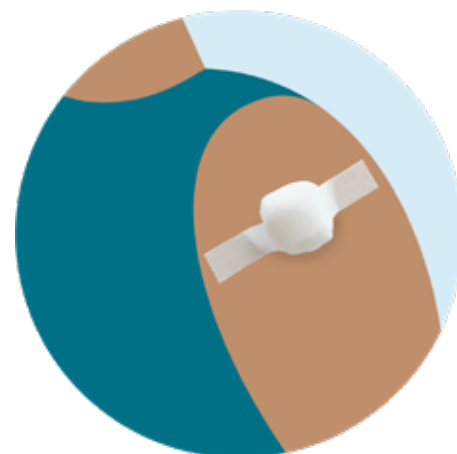


Vaccine against coronavirus disease

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) can cause a range of respiratory problems. Many people experience no or only mild symptoms, but some people can become very ill. The coronavirus vaccine prevents serious illness and death.



The coronavirus vaccine is recommended if you:

- are aged 75 or older
- live in a nursing home
- are aged between 18 and 74 and belong to a risk group
- are a child with a serious illness

Healthy people aged 65-74 can also get the coronavirus vaccine at a reduced price if they wish.

By 'risk group', we mean anyone who has certain diseases or conditions which increase the risk of becoming seriously ill from coronavirus. If you are unsure whether you or your child are in a risk group, you can find out more at fhi.no or ask your doctor.

The protection you gain after previous doses of the vaccine or having had the disease will diminish over time. The Norwegian Institute of Public Health (NIPH) therefore recommends that those who are most vulnerable to severe COVID-19 have a further dose before the winter season.

Can the vaccine be given at the same time as other vaccines?

Yes, the coronavirus vaccine can be given at the same time as the normal influenza vaccine and pneumococcal vaccine.

How effective is the vaccine?

The vaccine provides good protection against severe COVID-19, but only short-term protection against being infected or passing the infection on to others.

Does the vaccine have any side effects?

All medicines and vaccines can cause side effects, but not everyone experiences them. Most side effects occur in the first few days after vaccination, are usually mild to moderate, and pass after a few days. Some people may experience more severe symptoms. The most common side effects are pain and swelling at the injection site, fatigue, headache, diarrhoea, muscle pain, chills, fatigue, joint pain and fever. Serious side effects are rare. The health authorities are continuously monitoring possible side effects of all vaccines.

Where can I get the vaccine?

See the information on your municipality's website about how and when you can have the vaccine.

Want to find out more?

Ask your doctor or other healthcare professional.



For more information, see fhi.no/voksenvaksinasjon