

COVID-19 vaccination information October 2021

**12
years +**

Everyone **12 years old and older** can have the COVID-19 vaccine if they want it.

The vaccine is free.

There are 2 doses – the second one is 3 weeks after the first one.

WHY SHOULD I HAVE A COVID-19 VACCINE?

It will protect you from getting sick with COVID-19. It will also protect your family, your friends, and other people in your community from getting sick.

Vaccinated people can help stop the spread of COVID-19.

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION TO HELP ME DECIDE?

If you are not sure or are worried about the COVID-19 vaccine you can talk to someone about it. People to talk with are your family, your key worker, your doctor/GP, your pharmacist.

You should also talk to your doctor/GP if you are worried about getting the vaccine because of your health or the medicine you take.

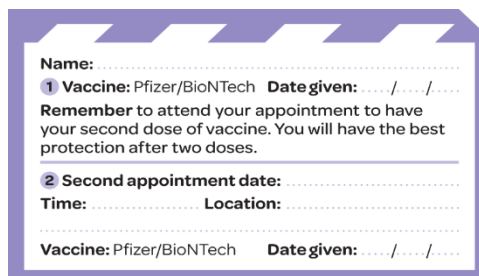
Decision making support: <https://www.health.govt.nz/system/files/documents/pages/covid-19-vaccine-decision-making-tool-easy-read-24may2021.pdf>

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I GET THE VACCINE?

The staff will check your details and make sure you agree to have the vaccine.

The vaccine is given as an injection into the muscle of your upper arm. After that you must wait 15 minutes.

You will get a record card, make your appointment for your second dose, and then you can leave.



Name:

1 Vaccine: Pfizer/BioNTech Date given:/...../.....

Remember to attend your appointment to have your second dose of vaccine. You will have the best protection after two doses.

2 Second appointment date:

Time: Location:

Vaccine: Pfizer/BioNTech Date given:/...../.....

WHERE CAN I GET VACCINATED?

Vaccination centres are open everywhere and for most, you do not need to make an appointment – you can just turn up. They are called ‘walk-in’ or ‘drive-through’.

The list for all places across NZ is here <https://www.healthpoint.co.nz/covid-19-vaccination/>

If you need help to find a place near you, ask your GP/family doctor, health centre, pharmacist or your key worker.

This information is from the New Zealand government website <https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-vaccines>