Everyone can now get a vaccination

Why is a vaccine against COVID-19 important?

The vaccine **protects** against COVID-19.
If lots of people get a vaccination:
- Fewer people will get ill.
- **Fewer people will die.**

Do I have to get a vaccination?

No, you don't have to.
It's up to you whether you get a vaccination or not.

Do I have to pay?

No, the vaccine is **free** for everyone.

Is the vaccine safe and effective?

Yes, the vaccine is safe. Studies also show that it's effective. **Medical specialists have approved the vaccine in Switzerland.** They have studied the vaccines and their effects. Thousands of people have taken part in studies. Tens of millions of people have already been vaccinated worldwide.

Does the vaccine cause side-effects?

There can be side-effects, **as with any vaccine.**
Mostly, people feel **tired or have a headache or fever**. It might also hurt where the needle went in. These are normal reactions the vaccine can cause. They are minor and won't last.
Very rarely, people react more seriously. They might have an allergic reaction, for example. But that happens straightaway after you have the vaccination. And you'll still be with health professionals at that point.

I've already had COVID-19. Do I have to get a vaccination?

Yes, you should get a vaccination if you were ill **more than six months ago.**

Who shouldn't get a vaccination?

You mustn't get a vaccination if you are **allergic to any of the substances in the vaccine.** You'll be asked some questions before you get your vaccination.

Where can I get a vaccination?

You can get a vaccination at a **pharmacy** or **doctor's surgery**.

You can also go to a mass **vaccination centre,** for example at the hospital or in Beaulieu (Lausanne).

There will also be a team visiting **your region**. Have a look at the posters in your neighbourhood or get information from an association you know.

How do I make an appointment?

You can call this number: **058 715 11 00** Someone who speaks your language can register you.

You can also register on this **website:** www.coronavax.ch

What happens at the vaccination?

First, you'll be asked some questions to find out if you have allergies or are pregnant.

Then you'll have a **jab** in the top of your arm.

You need to **wait 15 minutes** before you leave.

You need a second jab one month later, unless you have already had COVID. You can make an appointment for your second jab while you're there.

IMPORTANT: Don't come to get a vaccination if you have a fever or feel unwell. Get a COVID-19 test first.

Do I still have to wear a mask after I've had the vaccine?

Yes. For now, **everyone** must continue to follow the rules.

It's **very important** to wear a mask and keep your distance from other people.

It's the best way of protecting people who haven't been vaccinated.

Can I travel abroad after the vaccine?

Yes, but you need to check the rules in the country you want to visit.

I still have questions about the vaccine...

You can call this number: **058 715 11 00**

You will find information in 9 other languages at **www.vd.ch/corona-multilingue**.

You can also **scan this QR code**.