



COVID-19-VACCINATION INVITATION

Do not miss your chance to get vaccinated



A vaccine has been reserved for you. Confirm or change the appointment. Thus, the vaccination centre knows you are coming. Ask a family member or someone close to you for help if necessary



Confirm your presence at www.laatjevaccineren.be/registratie
And register using your vaccination code <vaccinatiecode>



Or **scan** this QR code with your smartphone.



Or call <.....>

You can find this letter in several languages at:

www.laatjevaccineren.be/uitnieuwingsbrief-covid-19-vaccinatie-in-andere-talen

Bring this E-ticket with you to the vaccination center



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Your personal vaccination code: <vaccinatiecode>

Dear

This is an invitation to get either your first vaccination or your booster against COVID-19. This vaccination is offered free of charge at the vaccination center. If you have already been vaccinated, this means that you can now get an additional dose. Keep this letter carefully. Vaccination is not mandatory, but recommended for your own health and the health of people in your surroundings.

You can read more about the importance of vaccination and vaccines in the attachment.

Where and when will you be vaccinated? Let us know you are coming!

Where	When
[Redacted]	[Redacted]

- **Confirm you are coming.**
- Surf to www.laatjevaccineren.be/registratie and register using your vaccination code <vaccinatiecode>. Or call the number < > .
- **Do you not want to accept this invitation to get vaccinated?** Make sure to let us know. So, we can give your vaccine to someone else.

What do you do on the day of your vaccination?

- Bring the **e-ticket and your identity card.**
- Wear a **face mask**: a surgical or cloth mask, not a bandana or a scarf.
- Wear **comfortable clothes**. You will be vaccinated in your upper arm.
- **Come alone, unless you need help or are under 16 years old.**
- Are you feeling sick, do you have flu-like symptoms or do you have a fever of more than 38°C? Then postpone your appointment and make a new one when you are completely healed.
- Are you in quarantine on the day of your vaccination? Postpone your appointment until after your quarantine

Do you have any personal questions or are you in doubt about getting vaccinated?

- Talk to your family doctor or ask your pharmacist for more information.
- Read the attachment to this letter.
- Surf to www.laatjevaccineren.be
- Call 1700, the Infoline of the Flemish government

We thank you for your help to allow for a smooth vaccination. This way we can collectively achieve herd immunity.

Kind regards,

Dr. Dirk Dewolf
Administrator-General

Appendix: important questions

Why is it important to get vaccinated?

- The vaccine reduces the risk of getting COVID, and if you do get infected, it greatly reduces the chances of getting seriously ill from COVID-19.
- All vaccines are effective. They are thoroughly monitored for safety, reliability, and quality.
- The more people get vaccinated, the fewer people will become sick or contagious and the less quickly the virus can spread. If you do become infected after vaccination, it is still important to self-isolate.
- An additional dose (booster) of the corona vaccine is recommended for specific target groups. A few months after the basic vaccination, immunity begins to wane. A booster shot revives your immunity, to ensure you are better protected against the COVID-19 virus.
- The risk of severe COVID infection increases with age and with underlying conditions. The corona vaccine continues to provide the best protection against severe COVID-19 infections.

Are you in one of the following situations? Then postpone your vaccination if necessary.

- Have you ever had a strong allergic reaction to a vaccine? Did you ever need medical attention after taking medication? Make sure to discuss this with your family doctor before your appointment.
- Are you feeling sick, do you have flu-like symptoms or do you have a fever of more than 38°C? Then postpone your appointment and make a new one when you are completely healed.
- Did you undergo a corona test and did it show you had COVID-19 and you also had symptoms or felt sick?
 - No, I did not have any complaints: you can then get vaccinated from 14 days after that test.
 - Yes, I did have complaints: you can only get vaccinated if you are free from corona symptoms for 14 days.
 - What do you do? Check whether your appointment is 14 days after the test, or 14 days after you no longer have corona symptoms
- Are you in quarantine now or on the day of your vaccination? Then postpone your appointment until after your quarantine.

You are not 18 years old yet. Can you come to the vaccination centre alone?

Discuss your vaccination with your parent(s) or guardian. If you have any questions, please contact your family doctor. You can still ask questions at the time of the vaccination.

- If you are **16 or 17 years** old, you can come to the vaccination centre without your parent(s) or guardian. In principle, you can decide for yourself whether you want to be vaccinated if you have been properly informed.
- If you are **15 or younger**, you must decide with your parents whether you will be vaccinated. In that case, come to the vaccination centre with your parent(s) or guardian. Your parent(s) or guardian are really not able to accompany you? Then, come alone and bring a letter signed by your parent(s) or guardian. This letter must contain at least 1) the surname, given name and date of birth of the youngster, 2) the surname, given name, contact details and signature of your parent(s) or guardian, 3) date of signature and 4) the statement "I wish that my child be vaccinated against COVID-19 at the vaccination centre". You can find an example of such letter at www.laatjevaccineren.be/12-15-jarigen. Without that letter, you will meet with a doctor at the vaccination centre to see whether you can choose to be vaccinated yourself.

You have a chronic illness. Can you be vaccinated?

Yes, the vaccines have also been tested on people with chronic illnesses. They are safe. People with chronic illnesses often display more serious symptoms when they are infected with the COVID-19 virus. Vaccination, therefore, is extra important for you.

You are pregnant or you want to become pregnant. Can you be vaccinated?

Yes, you can be vaccinated. Talk to your doctor if you have any questions.

You are unable to make it to the vaccination centre. What can you do?

- If you can come to the vaccination centre but do not have suitable transport, please call <...> at the vaccination centre. They will find a solution.
- If you cannot come to the vaccination centre for medical reasons, discuss this with your family doctor.