



## Invitation to COVID-19 vaccination

### Make your appointments



A vaccine has been booked for your child. Please confirm or change the appointments, to let the vaccination centre know you are coming. Ask for help from a family member or a neighbour if you need it.



Confirm your appointment by visiting [www.laatjevaccineren.be/registratie](http://www.laatjevaccineren.be/registratie). Sign in with your vaccination code.



Or scan this QR code with your smartphone.



Or call

**Bring this e-ticket along with you to the vaccination centre**



**Your personal vaccination code:**

Dear parent(s) of...

This is an invitation for your child's COVID-19 vaccination. This vaccination is free of charge. Hang onto this letter.

Vaccination is recommended, but not mandatory. Vaccination is important for the health of your child and those around your child.

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

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

Where	When	
	First vaccination:	Second vaccination:

- **Please confirm your presence as soon as possible.** Before the appointment, coordinate with the other parent or guardian, and make a joint and supported decision about your child's vaccination.
- **You do not want to accept this invitation to get vaccinated?** Please let us know. This allows us to give the vaccine we have booked for your child to someone else.
- Go to [www.laatjevaccineren.be/registratie](http://www.laatjevaccineren.be/registratie) and sign in with the vaccination code. Or call the number

**What to do on the day of the vaccination?**

- Bring along the **e-ticket** and your child's **kids-ID** or **ISI+ card**.
- Everyone over the age of 6 must wear a surgical or fabric **face mask**.
- Make sure your child is wearing **comfortable clothing**. Your child will get the vaccination in the upper arm.
- **Accompany your child.** If you cannot be present yourself, someone else is allowed to accompany your child. You can find more information about this in the attachment.
- Is your child feeling **ill**, does it have flu-like symptoms or a fever above 38°C? If so, postpone the appointment and reschedule when your child is fully healed.
- Is your child or are you as a parent in **quarantine** on the day of the vaccination? Postpone the appointment until after the quarantine.

**Where can you get more information about the corona vaccination? Read the attachment.**

- Speak with your regular general practitioner, paediatrician, or your pharmacist..
- Go to [www.laatjevaccineren.be/5-11-jarigen](http://www.laatjevaccineren.be/5-11-jarigen)
- Call 1700, the Flemish government's information hotline.

Thank you for helping us ensure a smooth vaccination. This protects your child and those around your child.

Kind regards,



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CEO

## Attachment: important questions

### Why is it important to have your child vaccinated?

- Vaccinating your child reduces the spread of the virus. This way, your child's school life is less interrupted by people going into isolation or quarantine or the school closing. It is also less likely that your child's sports, hobbies, or other activities cannot continue. This is good for your child's well-being and educational and developmental opportunities.
- The vaccine is safe and well tolerated by children. Children ages 5 to 11 receive a different vaccine than children over the age of 12 and adults. Abroad, millions of children have been vaccinated without any major side effects.
- Immunity acquired through vaccination is better than immunity acquired through infection. If your child has been infected with COVID-19, it can be re-infected. After vaccination, this risk is lower. Even if your child has already had COVID-19, we still recommend vaccination.
- Vaccinating children helps protect parents, grandparents, siblings, and others. It reduces the chances of your child passing on an infection.
- Fortunately, children do not often become ill from the current variants of COVID-19. Occasionally children do become seriously ill. Vaccination protects very well against serious illness.

### Do any of the following situations apply to you? If so, postpone your vaccination if necessary.

- Has your child ever had a very allergic reaction to a vaccine? Has your child ever needed medical attention after taking medication? Be sure to discuss this with your general practitioner or paediatrician before the appointment.
- Is your child feeling **ill**, does it have **flu-like symptoms** or a **fever above 38°C**? If so, postpone the appointment and reschedule when your child is fully healed.
- Did you take a coronal test showing that your child has **COVID-19**? Then your child can get a vaccine 14 days after the test. If your child has symptoms or complaints, they should not get a vaccine until 14 days after the symptoms have stopped. Reschedule the appointment if necessary.
- Is your child in **quarantine** now or on the day of the vaccination? Then postpone the appointment until after the quarantine.
- Are you **as a parent** feeling ill, with a fever over 38°C, do you have COVID-19 or are you in quarantine? Then postpone your child's appointment until after the quarantine.

### Who decides on vaccination?

- Discuss the vaccination with your child. If you are not the only parent, talk about the vaccination in advance with the other parent or guardian, especially in case of co-parenting, and make a joint and supported decision before going to the vaccination centre. If you have any questions, contact your general practitioner or paediatrician. You can also still ask questions at the time of vaccination.

### Who is allowed to accompany your child to the vaccination centre?

- As a parent or guardian, you are allowed to come into the vaccination centre together with your child.
- If you are a parent or guardian and cannot attend, please provide a letter of permission to the adult accompanying your child. Use the letter available from [www.laatjevaccineren.be/5-11-jarigen](http://www.laatjevaccineren.be/5-11-jarigen).

### Your child has a chronic illness. Can it be vaccinated?

- Yes, the vaccines are safe. Children with chronic illnesses are more likely to develop severe symptoms when they are infected with coronavirus. This makes it even more important to vaccinate these children.

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

- If your child is unable to come to the vaccination centre for medical reasons, discuss this with your general practitioner.