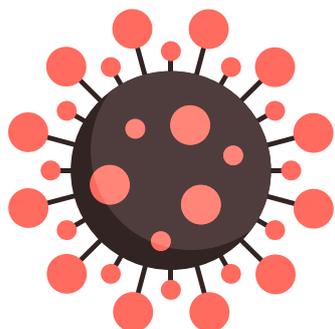


Coronavirus vaccine for children 5-11 years

Brief information from the Norwegian Institute of Public Health about the vaccine against COVID-19

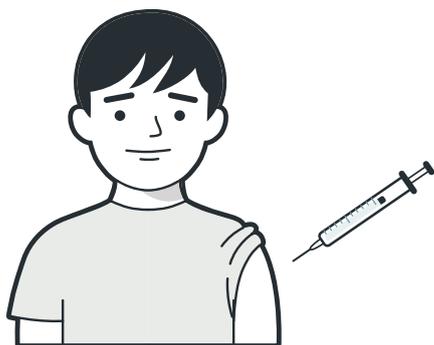


COVID-19

COVID-19 is rarely harmful for children

Some children may still benefit from the vaccine.

Having COVID-19 gives as good protection as the vaccine against reinfection.



About vaccination

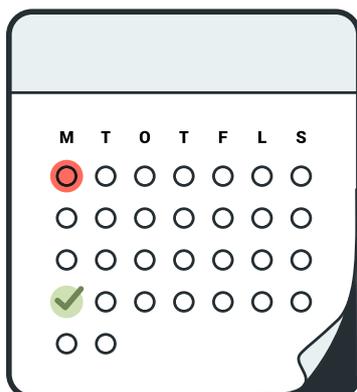
You can have 1 or 2 doses of vaccine if you and your parents want you to.

Vaccination is voluntary.

The vaccine is given as an injection in the upper arm.

If you are afraid of needles, tell the person giving the vaccine so they can take extra care of you.

If you choose to have 2 doses, there should be 8-12 weeks between doses.

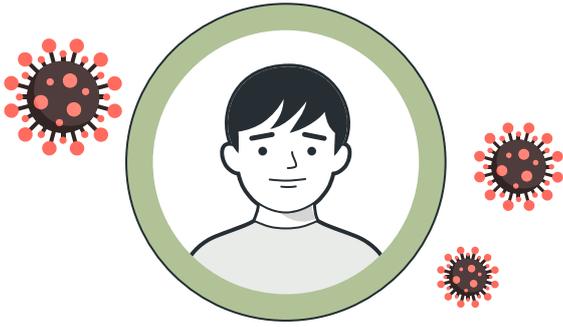


How well does the vaccine work?

Children are well-protected against severe COVID-19 3 weeks after dose 1.

You can be infected, and infect others, even though you have had the vaccine.

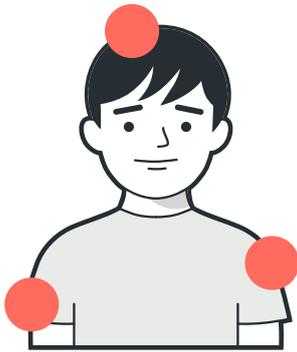
Follow the infection control advice even if you have had the vaccine.



How does the vaccine work?

The vaccine teaches your body to recognise the coronavirus and to protect you.

Your body remembers how to defend you against the coronavirus.



Common side effects

You may have some of these common side effects:

- Pain at the injection site
- Tiredness
- Headache
- Body aches
- Fever or chills

These usually pass within a few days.



Uncommon side effects

Serious side effects are very rare.

Rare side effects such as allergic reactions and heart inflammation can be treated if they occur.

We are monitoring closely for any unexpected side effects.

Contact a doctor, public health nurse or other healthcare professional if you experience unusual, severe or prolonged symptoms after vaccination.



[Download consent form here](#)

Parents/guardians need to give their consent for vaccination of children 5-11 years. The vaccine is free. Check the website of your municipality for how to make an appointment. Read more at www.fhi.no/cvp