

Information about COVID-19 vaccines and vaccination in Bergen

You can read more about COVID-19 vaccines and how to get vaccinated here.

Drop-in service

The City of Bergen offers a drop-in service in Dreggsallmenningen 6 (view [map](#)) for all citizens over the age of 12. This means that you can get a COVID-19 vaccine at the municipal vaccination centre without booking an appointment in advance.

It should be noted that children aged 12-15 must have a companion and take a written consent form with them to the vaccination centre for both doses of vaccine. More information is found in section 'Vaccination of children and adolescents aged 12-15'. In addition, see the consent form on the last page of this document.

Drop-in service opening hours:

- Monday: 9am to 3.30pm
- Tuesday: 9am to 3.30pm
- Wednesday: 9am to 3.30pm
- Thursday: 10am to 4.30pm
- Friday: 9am to 3.30pm

Booking an appointment

The City of Bergen cooperates with GPs and pharmacies on COVID-19 vaccination. Check your GP surgery's website to see if they offer a COVID-19 vaccine and for information about booking an appointment. In addition, pharmacies in all boroughs are offering a COVID-19 vaccine to all citizens over the age of 16. See information about pharmacies offering a COVID-19 vaccine in a separate PDF article. (Article in English, Polish, Tigrinya, Russian, Lithuanian, Romanian and Somali).

To book an appointment at the municipal vaccination centre in Øvre Dreggsallmenningen 6 ([map](#)), see the information under your group below.

About the vaccines

The City of Bergen offers vaccination at municipal vaccination centres with the **Pfizer** and **Moderna** mRNA vaccines. Due to a good supply of both vaccines, you can currently choose between the vaccines when you turn up for vaccination. Please note that all citizens under the age of 30 are recommended to choose Pfizer.

We also vaccinate with the protein based **Nuvaxovid** (Novavax) vaccine at the Infection Control Office in the City of Bergen. You must be 18 or older to receive the vaccine. [Read more about the Nuvaxovid vaccine on the Norwegian Institute of Public Health's \(FHI\) website](#) (Information in English). If you want to get vaccinated with Nuvaxovid, contact the Infection Control Office by telephoning 55 56 58 80 or e-mailing: smittevernet@bergen.kommune.no. Please do not send sensitive information in e-mails.

The main objective of the COVID-19 vaccines is to protect the life and health of those exposed to COVID-19 infection. If you get vaccinated, you are much less likely to become seriously ill.

How to get a COVID-19 vaccine if you are over the age of 16

To book an appointment, you can telephone the coronavirus hotline on 55 56 77 00 or send an e-mail to: koronavaksine@bergen.kommune.no. Please do not send sensitive information in e-mails. You can book an appointment regardless of whether you need the first, second, third or booster dose. In order to get a vaccination appointment, you must satisfy the interval requirements between the doses and be in the group that is offered the actual dose.

[For information about intervals between the vaccine doses visit the Norwegian Institute of Public Health's \(FHI\) website](#). (Article in English). The minimum interval between the first and second dose at municipal vaccination stations in Bergen is four weeks, regardless of whether you choose to get vaccinated with Pfizer or Spikevax.

The vaccination centre generally responds to telephone calls and e-mails in Norwegian and English. They also have employees who speak other languages, for example, Italian, Arabic and Persian. If you would like to talk to an employee who speaks another language apart from Norwegian and English, telephone the vaccine hotline on 408 177 41 to enquire whether they have an employee who can help you. You may be asked to call back at a specific time when the employee is at work.

Booster dose (fourth dose) to those over the age of 65

National authorities recommend citizens over the age of 65 to take another booster dose (dose 4) of a COVID-19 vaccine.

The minimum interval between the first and second booster dose (third and fourth dose) is four months.

The recommendation to take another dose if you were born in 1957 or earlier applies regardless of whether you have recently been infected with COVID-19. The minimum interval after recovering from the corona disease up until the second COVID-19 booster dose is three weeks. The Norwegian Institute of Public Health (FHI) points out that a longer interval between recovering from COVID-19 and having another dose of vaccine will generally give better protection/immune response.

In April, the authorities decided that people over the age of 80 could receive a second booster dose (dose 4). If you have already accepted this offer, you will not receive another booster dose now.

If you would like to receive the second booster dose, you can go to the municipal vaccination centre in Øvre Dreggsallmenningen 6 without booking an appointment in advance. See the opening hours for the drop-in service at the top of this document.

You can also book an appointment by telephoning the coronavirus hotline on 55 56 77 00 or sending an e-mail to: koronavaksine@bergen.kommune.no once the minimum four-month interval has elapsed. Please do not to send sensitive information by e-mail.

You can also receive the new booster dose (fourth dose) at a pharmacy. See which pharmacies are offering vaccination in a separate PDF article.

Residents of nursing homes will be offered the dose of vaccine at the nursing home.

Students and others without a registered address in Bergen

Everyone who lives or stays in the City of Bergen over a certain period of time due to studying, employment, etc., can get a COVID-19 vaccine here, regardless of which dose they will be getting. Remember that you must satisfy the interval requirements between doses. To book an appointment, telephone the coronavirus hotline on 55 56 77 00 or send an e-mail to:

koronavaksine@bergen.kommune.no. Please do not send sensitive information in e-mails. You can

also get a COVID-19 vaccine at pharmacies. See which pharmacies are offering a vaccine in a separate PDF article. (Article in English, Polish, Russian, Tigrinya, Romanian, Lithuanian and Somali)

Vaccine for persons with seriously compromised immune systems

For primary vaccination, adults with seriously compromised immune systems need three doses of a COVID-19 vaccine. You will also be offered a booster dose. The third dose is an additional dose of vaccine given to persons with seriously compromised immune systems who it is assumed did not receive a good effect from the vaccine after two doses. The third dose is considered part of the primary series of vaccinations and is recommended for administration after an interval of at least 28 days after the second dose. This group will also be offered a booster dose (dose 4). The recommended interval between the third dose of vaccine and the booster dose is at least three months. [Read more to find out which diseases entitle citizens with serious immunocompromisation to get a third dose and booster dose \(dose 4\)](#). (Information in English)

Patients with the necessary documentation, who meet the interval requirements, can book an appointment by telephoning the coronavirus hotline on 55 56 77 00 or sending an e-mail to: koronavaksine@bergen.kommune.no. Please do not send sensitive information by e-mail.

Vaccination of children and adolescents aged 12 to 15

National authorities have decided that children and adolescents in this age group should have the possibility to receive a COVID-19 vaccine, however, it is not encouraged or recommended for this group to get vaccinated. Children in this age group can receive two doses of vaccine if both the child and parents want him/her to get vaccinated. Vaccination is offered in Øvre Dreggsallmenningen 6. Parents with parental responsibility can book an appointment for both the first and second dose for their child via the coronavirus hotline on 55 56 77 00. You can also send an e-mail to: koronavaksine@bergen.kommune.no. [For information about intervals between the vaccine doses, visit the Norwegian Institute of Public Health's \(FHI\) website](#). (Article in English).

In order to get a vaccine, persons under the age of 16 must receive the written consent of both parents with parental responsibility. Both parents with parental responsibility must complete the consent form before the child can receive a dose of vaccine. Complete the form on the last page of the document, print it out and take it to the vaccination centre. A separate consent form must be handed in at the vaccination centre if you want your child to get the second dose as well. In addition, one of the parents who has signed the consent form must accompany the child when they get the vaccine. This applies to both the first and second dose.

Important to remember on the day of vaccination

Before turning up for your COVID-19 vaccination, it is important to remember the following:

- Take valid ID containing your photograph and personal identification number. Remember to take a facemask as well.
- Do not turn up for vaccination if you have:
 - symptoms of a cold, a fever above 38 degrees or other signs of an infectious illness;
 - COVID-19 ([See the recommended length of time you should stay at home](#)).
 - In such cases, you can book another appointment by telephoning the coronavirus hotline or sending an e-mail to: koronavaksine@bergen.kommune.no. Please do not send sensitive information in e-mails.

- Wear non-restricting clothes to facilitate vaccination in the upper arm.
- Note that there is 20-minute observation period after vaccination when you must sit and wait.
- In respect of those who are getting vaccinated and the staff, we ask you to refrain from taking photographs or videos at the vaccination centres.

Public transport and parking

Øvre Dreggsallmenningen 6 ([map](#)): The vaccination centre is located on the outskirts of Bryggen in the direction of Sandviken in close proximity to Mariakirken and Vikinghallen. You can take public transport to the centre of Bergen. The nearest bus stop is Bryggen (traffic from the south and west) and Bradbenken (traffic from the north). If driving, car parking is available in the streets around the vaccination centre. Alternatively, you can park in one of the multi-storey car parks in the area.

Vaccine for children aged 5 to 11

Children aged 5 to 11 resident in the City of Bergen are offered a special children's vaccine from Pfizer. [Read more in a separate PDF article](#). (NB: Article in English only)

COVID certificate for persons who do not have a Norwegian ID number

National authorities have developed a solution for issuing COVID certificates based on vaccination for persons who do not have a Norwegian personal identification number or D number. [To find out what to do, visit HelseNorge's website](#). (Information in English).

A paper COVID certificate is valid for three months. If you need a new transcript, you can contact the Infection Control Office in the City of Bergen by telephoning 55 56 58 80 or e-mailing: smittevernet@bergen.kommune.no. However, if you have received another dose of vaccine in the meantime, you must send another letter to Helfo (as described in the [article on HelseNorge's website](#)) to get an updated COVID certificate.

If you are unable to use digital services

Citizens with a Norwegian personal identification number or D number who are unable to use digital solutions can receive free assistance from the Infection Control Office for the following:

- Post-registration of a COVID-19 vaccine received abroad. Vaccines can be post-registered regardless of where they are taken, but they must be approved by the European Medicines Agency (EMA).
- A transcript of their COVID certificate based on vaccination or previous COVID-19 infection.
- Correction of any errors or omitted information on the COVID certificate about vaccines received at municipal vaccination centres in the City of Bergen.

For assistance, telephone the Infection Control Office on 55 56 58 80 or send an e-mail to: smittevernet@bergen.kommune.no. Kindly remember that health information is sensitive personal data and must **not** be sent by e-mail.

The Infection Control Office cannot help you:

- register previous COVID-19 infection abroad or via a positive self-test;
- vaccines received in locations in Norway other than at municipal vaccination centres in Bergen. Should this apply to you, contact the relevant GP, pharmacy or municipality.



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Consent to vaccination

I/we would like my/our child to be vaccinated against COVID-19.

Child's name: _____ Child's personal ID no. _____

Name of school: _____ Borough: _____

Parents with parental responsibility:

Both parents with parental responsibility must sign the consent form. You must hand in a separate consent form for each dose of vaccine. NB! If you have sole parental responsibility, only you need to sign, however, you must take documentation of sole parental responsibility to the vaccination centre.

Parent 1:

Full name (please write clearly): _____

Date and place: _____

Telephone no.: _____

Consent to the dose of vaccine the child is now receiving: (Insert "Yes" to consent) Dose 1: _____
Dose 2: _____ Dose 3: (*only children with seriously compromised immune systems**) _____

Signature: _____

Parent 2:

Full name (please write clearly): _____

Date and place: _____

Telephone no.: _____

Consent to the dose of vaccine the child is now receiving: (Insert "Yes" to consent) Dose 1: _____
Dose 2: _____ Dose 3: (*only children with seriously compromised immune systems**) _____

Signature: _____

* Remember to take medical documentation to show that your child is in the group with seriously compromised immune systems which is being offered the third dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. For more information visit:
www.bergen.kommune.no/koronavirus/vaksinerings