

Recommendation for COVID-19 vaccination:



Local studies have shown that three doses of COVID-19 vaccines (i.e. Comirnaty (BioNTech) vaccine or CoronaVac (Sinovac) vaccine) are highly effective in reducing hospitalization and death across all age groups in the adult population.

Data from various overseas and local studies have shown that after a period of time from COVID-19 vaccination, the antibody level in human body would drop. As the protection conferred by vaccine may wane with time, the World Health Organization recommended specific groups of persons to receive the additional dose(s) of COVID-19 vaccines, in order to defend against the COVID-19 virus more effectively.

Taking reference from recommendations of the Scientific Committee on Vaccine Preventable Diseases and the Scientific Committee on Emerging and Zoonotic Diseases together with the Chief Executive's expert advisory panel (JSC-EAP), eligible persons can receive COVID-19 vaccine free of charge according to the recommendations below.

For CoronaVac (Sinovac) vaccine :

Age group	1 st dose	Interval	2 nd dose	Interval	3 rd dose	Interval	4 th dose	Interval	5 th dose
6 months - 11 years old						90 days (only for ★)	★	N/A	✗
12 - 17 years old	●		●	● : 90 days ★ : 28 days	●				
18 - 49 years old	★	28 days	★		★	▲ : 180 days ★ : 90 days	▲ ★	▲ : 180 days ■ : 90 days	
Aged 50 years or above						90 days	● ★		▲ ■

For Comirnaty (BioNTech) vaccine :

Age group	1 st dose	Interval	2 nd dose	Interval	3 rd dose	Interval	4 th dose	Interval	5 th dose
6 months - 4 years old				● : 90 days ★ : 28 days	● ★				
5 - 11 years old	●	● : 56 days [^] ★ : 21 days	●	28 days (only for ★)	★	90 days (only for ★)	★	N/A	✗
12 - 17 years old	★		★	● : 150 days ★ : 28 days	● ★		★ [@] BV		
18 - 49 years old				● : 90 days ★ : 28 days	● ★	▲ : 180 days ★ : 90 days	▲ ★ [@] BV BV [@]	▲ : 180 days ■ : 90 days	▲ ■ [@]
Aged 50 years or above		21 days			● ★ BV	90 days	● ★ [@] BV BV [@]		▲ ■ [@]

● Recommend for general public
 ★ Recommend for immunocompromised individuals*
 ▲ General public may choose to receive†
 ■ Immunocompromised individuals may choose to receive*‡
 BV May choose to receive the bivalent vaccine or the ancestral strain vaccine
 ✗ Not yet recommended

Notes:

After completion of the first two doses, those recommended to receive additional dose(s) may choose to receive the same type or another type of vaccine.

If you have received covid-19 vaccine **outside Hong Kong, which was not CoronaVac or Comirnaty**, please consult the medical staff at the vaccination venue.

If you have been infected with COVID-19, please follow vaccination recommendation for COVID-19 recovered persons.

Besides, please refer to the Government news announcement for the latest information on the vaccination venues and relevant arrangement.

[^] This dosing interval could be shortened to a minimum of three weeks for those with personal needs under informed consent after consideration of individual risk and benefit.

* Immunocompromised persons include:

1. Cancer or hematological malignancy on active immunosuppressive treatment now or in the past 12 months
2. Recipients of solid organ transplant or stem cell transplant on immunosuppressive treatment
3. Severe primary immunodeficiency or on chronic dialysis
4. Advanced or untreated HIV disease
5. On active immunosuppressive drugs or immunosuppressive chemotherapy/radiotherapy in past 6 months

Individuals with personal needs may choose to receive after considering the individual risk and benefit.

[@] Immunocompromised persons, aged 12 years or above who had received at least 3 doses of ancestral strain vaccine may choose to receive Comirnaty bivalent vaccine as the subsequent dose(s) from 4th dose onwards.



If you are immunocompromised, please bring the relevant medical certificate to the designated vaccination venue on the day of your third or fourth dose vaccination in order to confirm that you are eligible for the vaccination



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