Third dose of the coronavirus vaccine

- information and instructions about the vaccinations

Helsinki is giving a third COVID-19 vaccine dose to 60-year-olds and older and groups that are susceptible to severe COVID-19 (at-risk groups 1 and 2). Residents of institutions and nursing homes will also receive the third dose.

The third dose will also be given to severely immunodeficient patients and those who received the first and second dose less than six weeks apart.

The criteria by which persons are considered to belong to the at-risk and immunodeficient groups are listed at coronavaccination-en.hel.fi

People in at-risk groups, those over the age of 60 and persons who received the first and second dose less than six weeks apart will be given the third dose when at least six months have passed from their second vaccine dose. Immunodeficient patients can be given the third dose when two months have passed from their second dose.

**The third COVID-19 vaccine dose is only given by appointment at the vaccination points in Helsinki.**

For now, the third dose of the COVID-19 vaccine is only available by appointment. You can book a vaccination appointment at bookcovidvaccine.fi or by calling the service number, tel. +358 9 310 46300.

The COVID-19 vaccine can be administered at the same time as an influenza vaccine. If you book an appointment for the influenza vaccine, you do not need to book a separate appointment for the third dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. More information about influenza vaccinations: influenzavaccination.hel.fi.

You can choose your preferred vaccination location from the current vaccination points in Helsinki:
• Jätkäsaari (Tyynenmerenkatu 6),
• Malmi (Helsinki Vocational College, Vanha Helsingintie 5),
• Myllypuro (Metropolia campus, Myllypurontie 1),
• Kannelmäki (Kaustisenpolku 6A)

See the opening hours of the vaccination points at hel.fi/vaccination.

For the time being, the third dose will not be given if the person has previously contracted the coronavirus disease and has previously received two doses of the vaccination (this does not apply to immunodeficient patients). For the time being, the third dose is not being given to men under the age of 30 who are not in an at-risk group or severely immunodeficient.

COVID-19 vaccinations are voluntary and free of charge.

**Please note!** Please arrive on time for your vaccination. The vaccination points do not have separate waiting areas. Wear weather-appropriate clothes and prepare to wait in the queue. Even after receiving the vaccination, it is important to continue following instructions to prevent the spread of the coronavirus.

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