

## FOR RESERVATIONS:

COVID-19 Vaccine  
Reservation Website

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For children ages 5-11, please contact your medical institution directly to make a reservation.

Kumamoto City Vaccine Appointment Toll-Free Number

☎ 0120-096-885 (6 languages)

Hours: 8:30 - 19:00 (closed 12/29-1/3)

● Operators may be unavailable during peak hours (mornings, etc.)  
If you are unable to get through, please call again at a later time.

## TO CANCEL A RESERVATION

## For reservations made online/by phone:

Please call the Vaccine Appointment Toll-Free Number (0120-096-885). If there are 3 or fewer days until your reservation and you need to cancel, call both the toll-free number and the medical institution where you are scheduled to receive your vaccination.

## For reservations made directly with a medical institution:

Contact the medical institution where you made your reservation directly.

## IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS:

For questions unrelated to  
vaccine reservations

- For those unable to use the Internet to find detailed information;
- For those who have questions about COVID-19 vaccines;
- For those who want information on medical institutions capable of addressing symptoms of side effects; etc.

Kumamoto City COVID-19 Vaccine Call Center

☎ 096-300-5577 (6 languages)

Hours: 8:30 - 19:00 (closed 12/29-1/3)

Services available in English, 中文, 한국어, Tiếng Việt, and Tagalog.

## For questions about the vaccines

MHLW COVID-19 Call Center

☎ 0120-761-770 (in Japanese)

For foreign language support: ☎ 0120-565-653  
(6 languages)

Hours: 9:00 - 21:00 (including Sat, Sun &amp; holidays)

For information on vaccine safety,  
effectiveness, and post-vaccine  
side effects

Kumamoto Prefecture COVID-19 Expert Hotline

☎ 096-285-5622 (in Japanese)

For foreign language support: ☎ 092-687-5144  
(20 languages)

Available 24 hours (including Sat, Sun &amp; holidays)

## ONLINE INFORMATION

Visit the MHLW Official Website for more  
information on COVID-19 vaccines.

## MHLW Official Website

MHLW COVID vaccine Search

Visit the Kumamoto City Official Website  
for the latest COVID-19 updates.

## Kumamoto City Official Website

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## For those ages 12 and over

## About vaccines for ages 12 and over

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## For those ages 5 to 11

## About vaccines for children (5-11yo)

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COVID-19 VACCINATION  
BOOSTER SHOT HANDBOOK

Information in this guidebook is current as of August 23rd, 2023.

Information written here may be updated or corrected via announcement from the national government, etc.  
Please check the city website, city newsletter, etc., regularly for new information.

## ELIGIBILITY &amp; VACCINATION PERIOD

## Vaccination period:

September 20th, 2023 - March 31st, 2024

(These dates may change based on announcements from the national government.)

## Eligibility:

Available to those age 6 months or older who have completed their initial vaccination

(one vaccination during the Fall 2023 vaccination period [September 20th, 2023-March 31st, 2024], with an interval of at least 3 months between previous vaccination)

An interval of at least 6 months is required when using Novavax vaccine.

Booster vaccinations are available to those 6 months of age and older, but this handbook is for those aged 5 years and older.

For children 6 months-4 years old, please refer to the Guidebook for Young Children and Babies.

Details on eligibility for  
those with underlying  
conditions, medical  
personnel, etc.

## VACCINE AVAILABILITY, CONSENT FROM GUARDIAN(S), ETC.

The following are the COVID-19 vaccines offered by Kumamoto City. **Vaccines offered are limited to those provided by the national government at the time of your vaccination** (choice of vaccine may be limited depending on which vaccines are being provided by the government).

Age at vaccination	Vaccine Type	Consent of Guardian
Age ≥ 16	Monovalent Omicron XBB.1.5 vaccine: Pfizer	Not required
Age 12-15 (Junior high and up)	Moderna Monovalent original variant vaccine:	Required
Age 12 (Elementary school)	Novavax	Consent and accompaniment required
Age 5-11	Monovalent Omicron XBB.1.5 vaccine: Pfizer (for children) Moderna (for children) (for ages 6-11)	

Visit the MHLW website for explanations  
for each of the vaccines:

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For vaccination purposes, children are considered to be 5 years old starting the day before their 5th birthday and are considered 11 until two days before their 12th birthday. Please make vaccine reservations in accordance with your child's age on the vaccination date.

**NOTICE** COVID-19 vaccinations can be done simultaneously with an influenza vaccination, but administration of other non-influenza vaccines requires a buffer period of **two weeks** before or after receiving a COVID-19 vaccination.

## FOR CHILDREN UNDER 16 AND THEIR GUARDIAN(S) (REGARDING VACCINE CONSENT AND ACCOMPANIMENT)

Under normal circumstances, children under 16 years old must be accompanied by a legal guardian, etc., (a guardian, parent, etc., who is familiar with the child and their health) when receiving a vaccine. Junior high school students, however, do not need to be accompanied by a legal guardian if the legal guardian signs the Medical History Form before the student submits it to the registration desk on the day of vaccination. (This is only permitted at certain facilities/vaccination sites.)

- **If you wish to receive the vaccine, please have a legal guardian sign your Medical History Form.** Leave the signature field empty if you do not wish to be vaccinated. **The signature of a legal guardian is required for vaccination.**
- If you are not accompanied by a legal guardian when getting vaccinated, **please provide an emergency contact phone number (where a legal guardian can definitely be reached during screening and vaccination) in the “電話番号 (Phone Number)” field on the Medical History Form.**
- If you have any questions about the vaccine, please make a decision on getting vaccinated after reading information put out by the local and national government and/or contacting your doctor or local municipal office.

