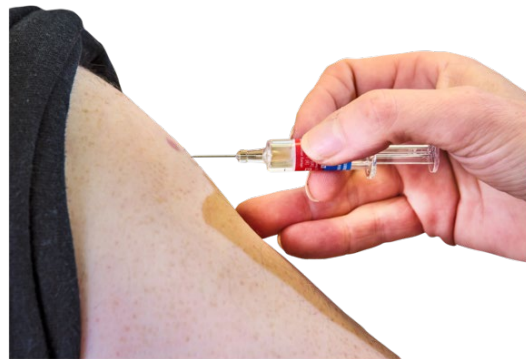




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Coronavirus series



Coronavirus vaccine

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What is a vaccine?



Vaccines protect you and other people from catching viruses and diseases.

Things like the flu.



There is now a vaccine for coronavirus.



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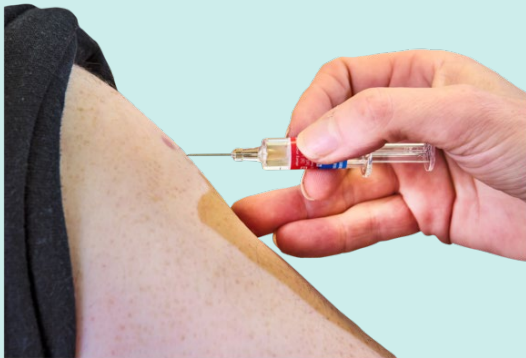


People who have Down's syndrome will be offered a vaccine soon.



This is because people who have Down's syndrome are at risk of being very ill from coronavirus.

What happens when you are given a vaccine?



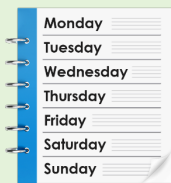
Normally you are given a vaccine by injection.

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A trained person will do this.

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You will need to go back three weeks later for a second injection.

3 weeks



Your arm may get sore for a little while.

Making a decision about whether to have this vaccine



The Government and NHS say that this vaccine is safe.



Having a vaccine is your choice.



If you are not sure or worried. You can talk to someone about it.



You can use this guide to help [“Supporting me to make a decision: Quick Guide”](#)

After having a vaccine



Vaccines take time to work.



We will still need to be careful after we have had the vaccine.



Hands



Face



Space

Keep on:

Washing your hands.

Wearing a mask.

Staying a safe distance from other people.

Looking forward



The more people who get a coronavirus vaccine,



the safer it will be for everyone.



When things are better we will be able to see our friends.

The Down's Syndrome Association is here to support people who have Down's syndrome and to help them live their lives to the full. We also stand up for their rights, campaign for change and challenge unfairness and discrimination.

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