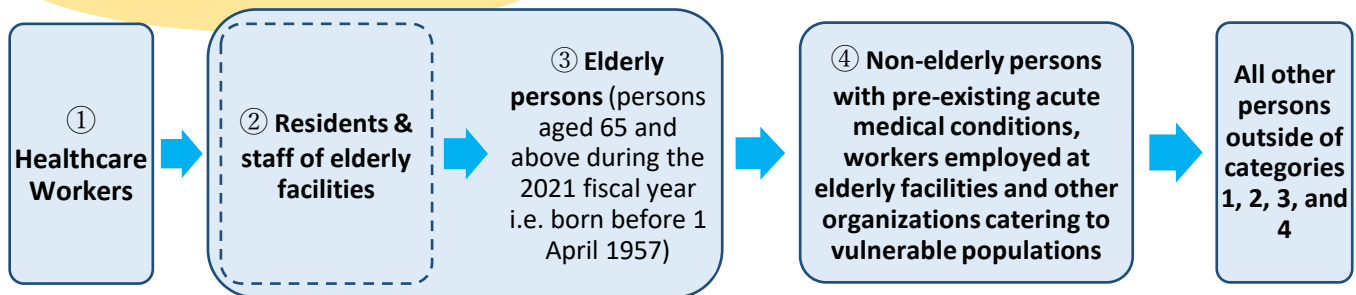




# INFORMATION REGARDING KAGA CITY'S COVID-19 VACCINE ROLLOUT

In accordance with Kaga City's vaccination priority order, the City will be beginning priority vaccinations for residents and staff of elderly care facilities after the completion of vaccination for healthcare workers. This is also part of the City's measures to prevent cluster infections amongst the high-risk elderly population that reside in or frequent these facilities. Distribution of vaccination coupons for persons 65 years old and above will begin after vaccinations for residents and staff of elderly care facilities have been completed. Vaccination coupons will be sent out in batches, in descending order of age groups. Kaga City's COVID-19 vaccine rollout is conducted with the help of doctors and nurses from local medical facilities. We hope to seek your kind understanding and cooperation to work with them to ensure a smooth and efficient vaccination process.

## Vaccination Priority Order



## Vaccination Schedule (2 vaccine shots/roughly 3 week gap between shots)

- There are 3 ways through which you can get vaccinated – care facility vaccinations, which are conducted at elderly care facilities; individual vaccinations, which are conducted at hospitals and similar medical facilities; and group vaccinations, which are conducted at designated locations within the City.
- There are shuttle buses going to and fro the designated group vaccination centers. Please refer to the pamphlet that will come enclosed with your vaccination coupon for more details.

	Location	Date	How to Book
Care Facility Vaccinations	43 elderly care facilities within Kaga	20 April onwards	Please check with your facility for details.
Individual Vaccinations	32 hospitals and similar medical facilities within Kaga	17 May onwards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Over phone directly with medical facility</li> <li>◆ Internet reservation</li> <li>◆ Via the Kaga City COVID-19 Call Center</li> </ul>

<b>Group Vaccinations</b>	Kaga Medical Center (加賀市医療センター)	29 May onwards Every Sat & Sun	<div style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;">◆ Internet reservation</div> <div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 5px;">◆ Via the Kaga City COVID-19 Call Center</div>
	Ishikawa National Hospital (石川病院)	5 June onwards Every Sat & Sun	
	Kawaminami Community Hall (河南地区会館)	6 & 27 June 18 July 8 August	
	Kaga City Community Center (市民会館)	13 & 20 June, 4, 11, 25 July 1 August	

※ You will be able to make your reservation once you have received your vaccination coupon. Please refer to the notice enclosed with your vaccination coupon for more details on how to make an appointment.

## Vaccination Coupon Distribution Schedule

Distribution will be staggered and conducted in descending order of age groups to avoid overwhelming vaccination facilities.

Scheduled Send Out Date	Age Group (Based on age on 1 April 2022)	
<b>26 April (Mon)</b> onwards	85 years old and above	Born 1 April 1937 and before
<b>6 May (Thur)</b> onwards	75 to 84 years old	Born between 2 April 1937 and 1 April 1947
<b>10 May (Mon)</b> onwards	70 to 74 years old	Born between 2 April 1947 and 1 April 1952
<b>12 May (Wed)</b> onwards	65 to 69 years old	Born between 2 April 1952 and 1 April 1957
After mid-June	64 years old and below	Born 2 April 1957 and after

## Making Your Appointment and Getting Vaccinated

**Vaccination coupon**  
arrives

**Make an appointment for your vaccination**  
Please refer to your vaccination coupon or the Kaga City Hall's website for detailed instructions on making appointments.

① **CARE FACILITY VACCINATION**

Directly With Each Facility

② **INDIVIDUAL VACCINATION**

Over phone with facility

Internet Reservation

Kaga City COVID-19 Call Center

③ **GROUP VACCINATION**

Internet Reservation

Kaga City COVID-19 Call Center

*(On the day of your appointment)*

**Check your temperature at home beforehand**

**If you find yourself with a body temperature of 37.5 degrees or above on the day of your appointment, please make sure to cancel it.**

**Check that you have the things you need to bring with you to receive your vaccination, and check your attire**

**Things to Bring:**

- ✓ Vaccination coupon
- ✓ Pre-vaccination Health Screening Form (予診票)
- ✓ Official vaccination notice enclosed with vaccination coupon
- ✓ Verifiable personal identification (My Number card, health insurance card, driver's license, etc.)



Sample vaccination coupon & envelope

**Reception + Checking of Pre-Vaccination Health Screening Form by medical staff**

**Recommended Attire:** Clothing that will allow you to show your **shoulder-upper arm area** easily (e.g. T-shirt with button-up/front-zipping outerwear).

**Pre-vaccination health check + Receive vaccination**



**Post-vaccination observation period**

**15 to 30 minutes, depending on whether or not you have a history of allergies.**

Though exceedingly rare, there is a chance of a person developing acute allergic reactions (anaphylaxis) after receiving the vaccine. Emergency measures have been put in place at vaccination centers in order to provide swift and timely treatment in the event of such cases.

**Printing of Proof of Vaccination**

**Please keep your Proof of Vaccination (接種済証) safely.**

**Things to Take Note After Vaccination**


- Avoid doing intense exercise on the same day as your vaccination.
- Keep the injection area clean. While taking baths on the same day should not be a problem, do take care to avoid scratching the area.





## Vaccinations Outside Registered Municipality (住所地外接種)

On principle, you are to be vaccinated in the municipality your Certificate of Residence (住民票) is registered in. However, exceptions can be made to allow you to receive the vaccine in a different municipality should any of the following apply to you:

Application Required	Application NOT Required
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Mothers who have returned to their maternal homes to give birth</li> <li>■ Workers on company dispatch assignments (単身赴任)</li> <li>■ Students residing in Kaga for education purposes</li> <li>■ Victims of domestic violence (DV), stalking, child abuse, or of similar circumstances</li> <li>■ Other circumstances out of one's control that make living outside of one's registered municipality unavoidable</li> <li>■ Other unavoidable circumstances as endorsed by the Mayor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Persons who are hospitalized or living in care facilities</li> <li>■ Persons with pre-existing acute medical conditions who want to receive the vaccine under their attending (main) doctor</li> <li>■ Persons at high risk of severe side effects and similar, who need to be vaccinated at better equipped hospitals unavailable in their registered municipality</li> <li>■ Persons currently receiving medical treatment outside of their registered municipality, and who will be receiving their vaccines at home</li> <li>■ Victims of natural disasters</li> <li>■ Persons in police custody or serving time</li> </ul>
<p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> <p>You will need to apply for a <b>Certificate of Application to Receive Vaccination Outside of Registered Municipality (住所地外接種届出済証)</b>.</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="border-right: 1px solid black; padding-right: 10px; margin-right: 10px;"> <p><b>How to Apply</b></p>  <p>COVID-19 Vaccine Navi (JP)</p> </div> <div style="padding-left: 10px;"> <p>Online application via the COVID-19 Vaccine Navi (Japanese) website</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Inquire at the municipal office of the city/town you would like to receive your vaccine in</p> </div> </div>	<p style="text-align: center;">↓</p> <p>You can receive your vaccine outside of your registered municipality with the vaccination coupon mailed to you. Please remember to bring it along for your vaccination.</p>



## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: I have a pre-existing medical condition. Will I be able to take the vaccine?**

A: Yes, you will still be able to take the vaccine for most chronic ailments. It is advised, however, that you avoid taking the vaccine during periods when your ailments act up. As there are cases where taking the vaccine may not be ideal for your condition, please have a thorough discussion with your family doctor before deciding on whether or not to get vaccinated.

**Q: I have been stung by a bee in the past. Will I still be able to take the vaccine?**

A: Yes, you can still take the vaccine even if you have bee sting allergies.

**Q: Will the vaccine be effective against mutant variants of Covid?**

A: By their very nature, viruses are always mutating and changing. However, these small changes will not diminish the effect of the vaccine.

**Q: Will it be possible to get Covid even after taking the vaccine?**

A: Yes, it is still possible for you to catch Covid even after taking the vaccine. Generally speaking, the vaccine has a 95% efficacy rate of preventing symptoms once your body has developed sufficient immunity to Covid. It will take approximately 1 to 2 weeks for your body to create enough antibodies to develop sufficient immunity against the COVID-19 virus.

**Q: Will I still need to wear a mask after I have been vaccinated?**

A: It is still unclear as to what degree the COVID-19 vaccine will be able to prevent vaccinated individuals from becoming silent carriers of the virus. As such, we strongly advise you to continue wearing masks and taking appropriate preventive measures even after getting vaccinated.

**Q: Will I be able to choose the kind of vaccine I can get?**

A: No, you will only be able to receive whichever vaccine provided at the time of your vaccination appointment. Both your first and second dose of the vaccine will be under the same maker.

*(Source: Ministry of Health, Labour, and Welfare's official COVID-19 website)*

## Let's Stop COVID-19!!

Concerns of another potential community spread similar to last August have been growing with recent reports of cluster infections at the Kaga Medical Center.

We would like to implore all Kaga City residents to **adhere to the following** to prevent further community outbreaks.

- **Taking care of your personal health, and practicing proper road safety (i.e. obeying traffic rules and driving safely)** to reduce your chances of falling ill and/or getting into accidents. This will go a long way in preventing emergency services in the southern Kaga area from getting overwhelmed.
- **Avoid unnecessary outings** and stay away from crowded areas. This will help to reduce your risk of infection.
- **Avoid visiting areas with high numbers of infections**, including prefectures where states of emergency have been declared.
- Avoid eating and drinking in large numbers and for extended periods of time, and exercise caution during group meals, such as **not talking loudly and wearing masks when speaking**.
- **Avoid visiting food-and-beverage entertainment establishments** that do not have sufficient preventive measures in place.
- **Avoid discriminatory behavior and remarks** towards those who have tested positive for COVID-19, their relatives and friends, healthcare workers, and other vulnerable/at-risk groups.