

Guidelines for vaccination against COVID-19 for children aged 5~11 years old staying in Korea

As the number of confirmed cases is rapidly increasing due to the prevalence of Omicron mutation, the number of confirmed cases in children(5-11 years old), who have not been included in the vaccination, is also increasing rapidly, and **severe cases and deaths are also occurring**. Therefore, the following information is provided regarding the vaccination of children(5-11 years old) against COVID-19.

■ Subject of vaccination

- For children aged 5-11years old, **we strongly recommend that high-risk children** with underlying diseases be vaccinated as it **can prevent severe infection** with COVID-19.
 - **In the case of healthy children, we recommend voluntary vaccination** after thoroughly reviewing **the benefits of vaccination, COVID-19 infection, and risks related to adverse reactions after vaccination**.
- ※ Vaccination is not recommended if there is a history of infection, and the second vaccination is not recommended if infected after the first vaccination

■ Vaccine type and vaccination interval

- Pfizer child's vaccine(contains 1/3 active ingredient of adult vaccine)
 - In the case of children, the second vaccination can be administered at **intervals of 8 weeks(56 days) after** the first vaccination.
- * If the second dose is required early due to medical reasons or personal circumstances, vaccination can be made within the range of 3 weeks (21 days), which is the interval approved by the Ministry of Food and Drug Safety.

■ Reservation method and schedule

- ▷ Advance reservations are available from March 24, 2022 (Thursday).

1. Registered foreigner

- ① Online reservation: Access the COVID-19 vaccination pre-booking system(<https://ncvr.kdca.go.kr>) and make reservations on behalf by guardians.
- ② Telephone reservation : Reservation on behalf of guardians through the Korea Centers for Disease Control and Prevention(☎1339) and local government reservations
- ③ Same-day vaccination : After registering on the preliminary list of medical institutions confirmed by call, you can have the vaccination on the same day.

2. Undocumented foreigners(including illegal immigrants) : You can make a reservation by phone or by visiting a vaccination institution (medical institution or public health center) by getting a temporary control number from the public health center.

- * When issued a temporary control number, it is not required to present identification card such as a passport or alien registration card.

■ Vaccination schedule and place

- ▷ Vaccination is effective from March 31, 2022 (Thu).
- There are about 1,200 medical institutions designated for pediatric vaccination, and you can check it on the COVID-19 vaccination website (ncv.kdca.go.kr) from March 14th (Mon).
- ※ <Notification/Form> → <Guidelines> You can check the implementation standards, notices, educational materials, and entrusted medical institutions in the manual

In the case of children, a guardian or legal representative is required to monitor the safety of vaccination and adverse reactions. It is absolutely necessary. (Parents should visit with the children, verify their identity, and fill out a pre-diagnosis form at the vaccination institution)

※ Reference

- **Identity information is use only for vaccination purposes, and illegal stay, etc., will not be notified to the immigration office under the exemption system of the obligation to notify.**
- For more details, please visit the Korea Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's COVID-19 vaccination website (<https://ncv.kdca.go.kr>).