# **COVID-19** Vaccination for International Students in Korea

#### **Vaccination for Persons Aged 18 to 49**

• Eligible recipients: Koreans and foreign nationals aged 18 to 49\*(i.e. those who were born between Jan. 1, 1972 and Dec. 31, 2003)

\* Those previously prioritized for vaccination (e.g. essential and high-risk facility workers) are not applicable.

- How to get vaccinated: Make a reservation at a vaccination center of your choice for a date of your choice
- Vaccine for administration: Pfizer or Moderna (i.e. mRNA COVID-19 vaccine)
- 0 Vaccination center: Designated health facilities or vaccination centers

#### **Reservation System**

1 Holders of National Health Insurance

Making a reservation: A <u>10-day rotation reservation period</u>\* during which you will make a reservation online\*\* or by phone (call 1339 or a local call center\*\*\*) based on the last digit of your date of birth (format: YYYY/MM/DD) will begin on August 9, 2021.

\* Allocation of a reservation date based on the last digit in date of birth (i.e. 10-day rotation reservation applies to both reservations made via phone-call and visit)

For example, if the last digit of your date of birth (YYYY/MM/DD) is "9," you will make your reservation on August 9.

\*\* You can visit the official website (<u>http://ncvr.kdaca.go.kr</u>) to book an appointment for vaccination, which involves a simple online self-authentication process (i.e. You are required to make your own online reservation as no one can do it for you; and only one digital device is allowed to be used per person for reservation).

\*\*\* Reservation can be made via call centers run by municipal governments. However, it is advisable to make the reservation through someone who can speak Korean as interpretation service is not available.

% If you've subscribed to the National Health Insurance in July this year or later, then you may be categorized as a non-subscriber. In this case, please call 1339 to make a reservation at designated health facilities.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Aug. 8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Reservation day (last digit "9")	Reservation day (last digit "0")	Reservation day (last digit "1")	Reservation day (last digit "2")	Reservation day (last digit "3")	Reservation day (last digit "4")
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Reservation day (last digit "5")	Reservation day (last digit "6")	Reservation day (last digit "7")	Reservation day (last digit "8")	Reservation day (age group 36- 49)	Reservation day (age group 18- 35)	Reservation day (age group 18- 49)
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
				Vac	cination → (until Sep	. 30)
29	30	31	Sep. 1	2	3	4
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26	27	28	29	Sep. 30		

\* The type of vaccine to be administered and vaccination schedule may change according to vaccine availability.

# • Schedule: Make a reservation during the set 10-day rotation period (August 9 - 18), and receive your vaccination on your selected date between <u>August 26 and September 30</u>. (You may choose to make a reservation at either a contracted medical center or a vaccination center.)

\* You can make your reservation from 8:00 p.m. on your allocated reservation day to 6:00 p.m. on the following day.

Reservation period	Vaccine recipients (Last digit of your date of birth)	Reservation period	Vaccine recipients (Last digit of your date of birth)	
8 p.m. August 9 <sup>th</sup> –	9	8 p.m. August 14 <sup>th</sup> –	4	
6 p.m. August 10 <sup>th</sup>		6 p.m. August 15 <sup>th</sup>		
8 p.m. August 10 <sup>th</sup> –	0	8 p.m. August 15 <sup>th</sup> –	5	
6 p.m. August 11 <sup>th</sup>	Ŭ	6 p.m. August 16 <sup>th</sup>	5	
8 p.m. August 11 <sup>th</sup> –	1	8 p.m. August 16 <sup>th</sup> –	6	
6 p.m. August 12 <sup>th</sup>		6 p.m. August 17 <sup>th</sup>	5	
8 p.m. August 12 <sup>th</sup> –	2	8 p.m. August 17 <sup>th</sup> –	7	
6 p.m. August 13 <sup>th</sup>	2	6 p.m. August 18 <sup>th</sup>	/	
8 p.m. August 13 <sup>th</sup> –	2	8 p.m. August 18 <sup>th</sup> –	9	
6 p.m. August 14 <sup>th</sup>	5	6 p.m. August 19 <sup>th</sup>	0	

#### <10-Day Rotation Reservation Schedule>

- How to make a reservation after the 10-day rotation period: Eligible persons are able to make a reservation based on age from August 19 to 20. In addition, from August 21 to September 17, all eligible persons can make or change their reservations. These reservation periods are open to those who missed their initial 10-day rotation reservation window.

(2) Non-holders of National Health Insurance

• Making a reservation: A 10-day rotation reservation period\* during which you will make a reservation online\*\* based on the last digit of your date of birth (format: YYYY/MM/DD) will begin on August 9, 2021. You must reserve your vaccination <u>at a vaccination center.</u>

\* Allocation of a reservation date based on the last digit in date of birth (i.e. 10-day rotation reservation applies to both reservations made via phone-call and visit)

For example, if the last digit of your date of birth (YYYY/MM/DD) is "9," you will make your reservation on August 9.

\*\* You can visit the official website (<u>http://ncvr.kdaca.go.kr</u>) to book an appointment for vaccination, which involves a simple online self-authentication process (i.e. You are required to make your own online reservation as no one can do it for you; and only one digital device is allowed to be used per person for reservation)

- If you don't have access to the internet, you can make your reservation by calling a public health center or a call center run by a municipal government. In this case, you're allowed to have someone else make your reservation for you, unlike online reservation.

- If you have difficulty in making an online reservation for any reason (e.g. problems related to self-authentication and/or alien registration number, etc.), you can either visit or call a public health center to register as a vaccination recipient, and then make an on-site reservation at a vaccination center for your injection.

- If you currently do not have an alien registration number, you can visit a public health center to receive a temporary registration number, which involves the submission of your personal information (but short-term travelers staying in Korea for no longer than 90 days are exempted), to make your reservation for vaccination.

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\* You can make your reservation from 8:00 p.m. on your allocated reservation day to 6:00 p.m. on the following day.

Reservation period	Vaccine recipients (Last digit of your date of birth)	Reservation period	Vaccine recipients (Last digit of your date of birth)
8 p.m. August 9 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 10 <sup>th</sup>	9	8 p.m. August 14 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 15 <sup>th</sup>	4
8 p.m. August 10 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 11 <sup>th</sup>	0	8 p.m. August 15 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 16 <sup>th</sup>	5
8 p.m. August 11 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 12 <sup>th</sup>	1	8 p.m. August 16 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 17 <sup>th</sup>	6
8 p.m. August 12 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 13 <sup>th</sup>	2	8 p.m. August 17 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 18 <sup>th</sup>	7
8 p.m. August 13 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 14 <sup>th</sup>	3	8 p.m. August 18 <sup>th</sup> – 6 p.m. August 19 <sup>th</sup>	8

<10-Day Rotation Reservation Schedule>

\* Making a reservation after the 10-day rotation period: Eligible persons are able to make a reservation based on age from August 19 to 20. In addition, from August 21 to September 17, all eligible persons can make or change their reservations. These reservation periods are open to those who missed their initial 10-day rotation reservation window.

#### □ Vaccination for all those Unvaccinated

- Vaccination for all those unvaccinated: As per the January 28 COVID-19 Vaccination Plan, 36 million people will have been vaccinated by the third quarter of 2021, and vaccination for all those unvaccinated will begin in the fourth quarter.
  - Eligible recipients: All those unvaccinated\* aged 18 or over

\* All unvaccinated persons, regardless of the reason for not being vaccinated, will be given an opportunity for vaccination.

- Vaccine for administration: To be determined as the vaccination dates approach
- Schedule: After the completion of vaccination for those aged 18 to 49
- \* Detailed schedule will be announced depending on vaccine supplies and the vaccination rates of those aged 18 to 49.
- **How to get vaccinated:** Make a reservation and get a vaccination at a designated health facility or vaccination center.

Attachment 1

#### What You Can Expect from Your COVID-19 Vaccination

#### **Before and After Your COVID-19 Vaccination Before** After $\triangle$ Get vaccinated when you're in good health. $\triangle$ You must see a doctor before getting $\triangle$ After receiving your vaccination, stay at the vaccinated. clinic for 15 to 30 minutes and watch for any adverse reactions. Keep monitoring yourself $\triangle$ Reschedule your vaccination if any of the for 3 hours after leaving the clinic. following applies to you. -You are or may be infected with COVID-19. $\triangle$ After getting vaccinated, avoid intense activity for a -You are a COVID-19 patient in quarantine or week. you are in contact with a COVID-19 patient in quarantine. $\triangle$ Keep your injection area clean. -You have acute symptoms, including fever (body temperature of 37.5°C or higher).

#### **Potential Adverse Reactions to COVID-19 Vaccination**

- △ You may experience pain, swelling, or redness in your injection area. You may experience fatigue, headache, muscular pain, chill, or nausea.
- $\triangle$  You may experience a severe allergic reaction with symptoms such as breathing difficulty and swelling of the face, eyes, lips, or inside of the mouth.
- $\triangle$  You may feel pain, tightness, or discomfort in the chest. You may experience breathing difficulty or pain while breathing.
- $\triangle$  You may feel out of breath or experience heart palpitations. You may feel dizzy or lose consciousness.

#### Handling Adverse Reactions to COVID-19 Vaccination

- $\triangle$  If you have swelling or pain in your injection area, place a clean, dry towel over the area and massage with ice.
- $\triangle$  If you have a mild fever, drink plenty of water and rest.
- $\triangle$  Take paracetamol to treat fever or muscular pain.
- $\triangle$  See a doctor if you experience any of the following issues.
  - Recurrence or worsening of pain, tightness, or discomfort in the chest, breathing difficulty, shortness of breath, or pain while breathing, heart palpitations, feeling dizziness, or loss of consciousness.
  - Pain, swelling, or redness in your injection area or fever that does not subside after two days.
  - A sudden loss of energy or symptoms previously not experienced.
- $\triangle$  If you experience severe breathing difficulty, nausea, swelling of the face, or hives, call 119 or get to the nearest emergency room.

Call 1339 or a local public health center if you experience adverse reactions. You can also find more information about adverse reactions and how to manage them on the "Post-vaccination Health Check" webpage on the National Immunization Program website (https://nip.kdca.go.kr).

reservation system website (http://ncvr.kdca.go.kr), accessible on PC and mobile devices. There are two steps to the process.

# $\Box$ How to Make COVID-19 Vaccination Appointment Online



## ○ Step 1 (Enter appointment information)



### 1 Verify your identity

- Select one of the five ways to verify your identity.
- 1 Naver certificate, 2 Kakao certificate, 3 PASS,
- (4) Joint Certificate, (5) Mobile phone verification.

% Check expiration date of certificate to make sure it is valid

### ② Enter personal information

- After verifying your identity, enter your name, resident registration (foreigner registration) number, and mobile phone number and click the 'Check Eligibility' button.

- After checking eligibility, select the medical institution and appointment date and time, and click the "Reserve (or Make Appointment)" button

### ○ Step 2 (Notice of completed appointment)

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# Appointment notification screen

- In Step 2, you can check your appointment details that you entered in step 1.

#### ② Send appointment information to mobile phone



- You can send your appointment details to your mobile phone. You can check or cancel the appointment by verifying your identity with name, resident registration number/alien registration number, or appointment number in the 'Appointment Inquiry/Cancellation' menu on the website.

- X You can log onto the appointment system on the date that corresponds to the <u>last</u> <u>digit of your date of birth according to your resident registration number or alien</u> <u>registration number.</u>
- X If you are not registered with the National Health Insurance, you must reserve your vaccination <u>at a vaccination center</u>
- .\* Please arrive on time for your vaccine appointment.
- If you have any questions about COVID-19 vaccination, please contact Korea Disease Control and Prevention Agency (KDCA) at 21339 or each local government's COVID-19 vaccination call center\*
  - \* To check the phone number of your local government's COVID-19 vaccination call center, visit NIP website <u>ncvr.kdca.go.kr</u> -> Click 'Make a vaccine appointment (사전예약 바로가기)' -> Click 'Notice (알림마당)' -> 'Call center information (콜센터 안내)' [Korean only]