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Why should I take the COVID-19 vaccine right now?

The severity of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) can range from asymptomatic to a very severe condition requiring intensive care, or even to death. Some of those who have been infected by the coronavirus may suffer from long-term consequences of the disease, such as fatigue, shortness of breath, cough, and joint and chest pain for a considerably long time.

The COVID-19 vaccine significantly reduces the risk of being infected by and transmitting the virus, as well as very significantly reducing the risk of developing serious forms of the disease. Therefore, the COVID-19 vaccine you take also protects the people near you who, for example, do not have enough vaccine protection on their own due to serious underlying medical conditions. So, by getting vaccinated, you can protect not only yourself, but also others. The vaccine does not infect you with coronavirus disease.

In order to obtain adequate vaccine protection, it is important to take all the recommended doses of the vaccine.

The vaccine is free of charge for you. Taking the vaccine right now is important!

Book an appointment for vaccination online at <u>https://paijat-sote.fi/ajanvaraus-ja-tietoa-ko-ronarokotuksista/</u> or visit a pop-up vaccination point.