



City of Ingolstadt Vaccination Strategy

“Together for the City of Ingolstadt”

Vaccination is the only long-term strategy against the coronavirus. The team at the Vaccination Centre have been working every day towards this goal in the fight against the virus. The focus in the current phase of vaccination is on reducing the number of infections and protecting the public.

“Every vaccination saves lives”

It protects the vaccinated person from developing serious illnesses and significantly reduces the risk of infection. Every first vaccination in and around Ingolstadt protects the population of Ingolstadt and reduces the reproduction number of the virus. A vaccination rate of 50 percent will be reached before the end of May.

“Normality for all, instead of early freedom for the few”

Every early second vaccination deprives a person who has not yet been vaccinated of this possibility of protection. In consultation with the Vaccination Task Force, therefore, the guiding principle continues to be to make full use of the vaccination intervals wherever possible. There will only be enough vaccine available from July 2021 to stabilise the normality that will then have been gained through an increased focus on second vaccinations and to enable Ingolstadt to have a great 2021 summer.

“Information on the subject of immunisation.”

The vaccination campaign is undergoing constant changes in circumstances as well as in the law. For this reason, our vaccination strategy is always adapted to meet the situation.

Information on the subject of vaccination www.ingolstadt.de/impfen

“Achieving herd immunity with the Ingolstadt vaccination alliance”

Everyone is needed in the fight against COVID-19: an effective vaccination centre, medical staff as well as mobile teams and company doctors. The aim of the vaccination alliance is to achieve herd immunity by summer 2021.

$$\text{Herdenimmunität} = 1 - \frac{1}{R_0}$$

Anteil der Bevölkerung, der immun sein muss, damit die exponentielle Ausbreitung endet

R_0 = Basisreproduktionszahl
Durchschnittliche Zahl von Menschen, die eine infizierte Person ansteckt.

The more infectious the virus, the higher the vaccination rate that needs to be achieved. We will only be able to further reduce the falling numbers, achieved with great effort and only through gruelling lockdowns, and keep them low over the long term if we achieve the highest possible vaccination rate.

The Ingolstadt Vaccination Centre – currently up to 45,000 vaccinations a month

Vaccine supplies can be immediately scheduled for administration via a modular two-stage concept (Donau-City-Center and Orbansaal). The Vaccination Centre is the backbone of the vaccination strategy through its vaccine capacity. The Vaccination Centre can perform 45,000 vaccination a month. The Ingolstadt Vaccination Centre has been set up to be responsive and flexible. It can therefore adapt to the challenges of the vaccination campaign in a targeted manner. The aim is effective and efficient vaccination in order to achieve herd immunity in the shortest possible time.

The Ingolstadt Vaccination Centre's immunisation concept is based on the Vaccination Ordinance. As a consequence, the Centre administers the allocated vaccine strictly according to priorities. The statutory regulations are the same everywhere. Prioritisation is based on the Coronavirus Vaccination Ordinance, which follows the recommendations of the Standing Commission on Vaccination (STIKO) as well as numerous expert committees and the Ethics Council and is subject to ongoing modification. It is only possible to depart from this in favour of effectiveness and efficiency in connection with special measures.

General practitioners

Another component was added to Ingolstadt's vaccination strategy with the involvement of general practitioners in April 2021. Over 9,000 vaccinations added to the over 60,000 vaccinations administered by the Vaccination Centre, helping the vaccination campaign to gain further momentum. General practitioners can usually be reached quickly and easily, and no one knows the patient better than their own doctor.

Mobile teams and company doctors

Vaccination is now set to reach the general public, after the vaccination drive was turbocharged through in-patient vaccinations at the end of April. A low-threshold vaccination service will be provided via mobile teams to people's homes and recreational settings in addition to the Vaccination Centre from June 2021. Neighbourhood social centres will also play a key role alongside mobile intervention teams and/or vaccination units. Direct local contact with role models and targeted information campaigns will help to overcome concerns about in-patient vaccination services. The Bavarian authorities are providing special quotas of vaccine for administration in asylum seeker shelters and to homeless people. Companies will complement Ingolstadt's vaccination strategy with vaccination in the workplace starting on 7 June 2021.

“How can I register for vaccination at the Vaccination Centre?”

Step 1: Register at <https://impfzentren.bayern/citizen/> (QR code for the website)

First, register for vaccination through the online registration system, providing the data you need for prioritisation, such as age and occupational group.

Step 2: Prioritisation

The Bavarian prioritisation system will automatically assign you the appropriate priority in accordance with statutory requirements. The Vaccination Centre has no influence over this.

Step 3: “ Please be patient until an appointment is scheduled”

Appointments are allocated based on the prescribed sequence and according to available vaccine. You will be contacted automatically. Once you have registered, the Vaccination Centre will contact you as soon as an appointment can be allocated to you.

It is not necessary to contact the Vaccination Centre for further information; this only leads to delays in the scheduling of appointments. After registering online, you can check the status of your registration yourself at any time at www.impfzentren.bayern.

Step 4: Appointment and vaccination at the Vaccination Centre

Our Vaccination Centre in the Donau-City-Center (Schillerstrasse 2, 85055 Ingolstadt) offers sufficient space to vaccinate you quickly. You can park there for one hour free of charge in the central outdoor parking areas, and for up to 3 hours free of charge in the accessible multi-storey car parks. You can also reach the Vaccination Centre by bike (parking facilities are available) or conveniently by bus (lines 21 and 51, bus stop Frühlingstrasse).

For the vaccination itself, please bring your identity card and, if you have one, your vaccination card, your medical insurance card and medical documents such as a heart passport, a diabetic card as well as a list of medications you take.

Please arrive as punctually as possible in order to avoid unnecessary waiting times and congestion. You are therefore advised to arrive no more than 5 to 10 minutes before your appointment.

“No one has to fear they will be forgotten”

Groups of people who have no Internet access or who need assistance in completing online registration can also call the Vaccination Hotline (8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday) on 0841 933388. Deaf people can contact 'covid-deaf@ingolstadt.de'. Please leave this registration option free for the intended groups of people.

An information hotline has been set up for **general questions** (8 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday) on 0841 305-41000. Please contact your general practitioner if you have any **specific medical questions** concerning your personal state of health.

Information on the subject of vaccination www.ingolstadt.de/impfen

Whose turn is it now? Which prioritisation is next?

The order of vaccinations has been set by law. The basis for prioritisation is the Coronavirus Vaccination Ordinance, which is based on the recommendations of the Standing Commission on Vaccination (STIKO). The Ingolstadt Vaccination Centre has no influence on this prioritisation set by law. The allocation of vaccination appointments is based on whether you belong to the priority group that is called up in each case and is performed automatically by the scheduling software used in Bavaria. When vaccinations are administered by general practitioners, individual risk factors that are not sufficiently reflected in the Vaccine Ordinance can also be taken into account. This ensures that the people most at risk are always vaccinated first.

Persons with priority levels 1 to 3 are currently being vaccinated in Ingolstadt.

Priority level 1:

[Section 2 Coronavirus Vaccination Ordinance \(CoronaImpfV\) Vaccinations with the highest priority](#)

Priority level 2:

[Section 3 Coronavirus Vaccination Ordinance \(CoronaImpfV\) Vaccinations with the high priority](#)

Priority level 3:

[Section 4 Coronavirus Vaccination Ordinance \(CoronaImpfV\) Vaccinations with the raised priority](#)

The establishment of the [Bavarian Vaccination Commission](#) closes a gap in vaccination prioritisation. The Coronavirus Vaccination Ordinance lists numerous clinical pictures that entitle a person to be immunised at the corresponding prioritisation level. However, the list is not exhaustive. Each individual case requires a specific medical examination, as other diseases, some of which are rare, also carry an increased risk of a severe or fatal course of disease in the case of a COVID-19. The Bavarian Vaccination Commission will then issue a medical certificate for eligible persons who have not yet been prioritised. They can use this certificate to register for vaccination with the relevant local vaccination commission via the online registration system or by calling their vaccination centre.

How can I prove my prioritisation level?

The authenticity of the data provided during registration is verified on site at the Vaccination Centre on the basis of identification and authorising documents (e.g. proof of employer, medical certificates etc.). The corresponding vaccination centre forms can also be used for this purpose.

How can I register?

Please use the online reservation service, which is available around the clock at <https://impfzentren.bayern/citizen/>. We would ask you to use this option to keep the supplementary hotline free for the intended groups of people.

These are groups of people who do not have access to the Internet or who need assistance in completing their online registration. The hotline, 0841 933388, is available for this purpose from 8 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday. Deaf people can contact covid-deaf@ingolstadt.de. We would ask you to keep the appropriate communication channels free for the groups of people concerned.

The Bavarian prioritisation system will automatically assign you the appropriate priority in accordance with statutory requirements. The Vaccination Centre has no influence over this. Appointments are allocated based on the prescribed sequence and according to available vaccine. You will be contacted automatically. Once you have registered, the Vaccination Centre will contact you as soon as an appointment can be allocated to you.

It is not necessary to contact the Vaccination Centre for further information; this only leads to delays in the scheduling of appointments. After registering online, you can check the status of your registration yourself at any time at www.impfzentren.bayern.

If you are vaccinated by a general practitioner, you will receive the relevant details about how to register from your doctor.

What applies to prioritised occupational groups?

Prioritised occupational groups will also be registered through individual online registration at <https://impfzentren.bayern/citizen/> before the participation of company doctors, which has been announced for the beginning of June.

As a general rule, it is only possible to arrange collective appointments in the Orbansaal if the relevant ministries have issued the appropriate instructions. The Vaccination Centre will inform the occupational groups about registration procedures in this case.

When will on-site company immunisation start?

Bavaria has scheduled the start of on-site immunisation by company doctors for the beginning of June (current planning: 7 June 2021). The Vaccination Centre in Ingolstadt is in close consultation with the largest employers, chambers of commerce, chambers of trade and employer and employee representatives in Region 10 regarding this matter. This vaccination alliance is intended to take sufficient account of the interests and needs of Region 10 and to set the necessary course with the authorities responsible for this (in particular: the supply of vaccine)

Every first vaccination in and around Ingolstadt protects the population of Ingolstadt and reduces the reproduction number of the virus. The vaccination strategy must therefore look beyond Ingolstadt. The virus can only be successfully fought together, not alone. The pull effect of Ingolstadt (commuters to and from the city) has already been taken into account in the serial vaccinations for occupational groups and the special AstraZeneca campaign. Thanks to the special allocation of AstraZeneca, it was also possible to involve Audi AG in the vaccination process as part of a pilot project. The experience gained in terms of organisation and procedures will be incorporated into further planning and thus benefit the entire Region 10.

When will people who have recovered from the coronavirus be vaccinated?

Those who have recovered from the disease develop a certain degree of protection against re-infection, at least temporarily. Infection brings the body into contact with the virus. The immune system learns about it and prepares various targeted defence mechanisms for the future. The Standing Commission on Vaccination (STIKO) recommends that persons who have already been infected be vaccinated once at the earliest six months after recovery in order to prevent excessive immune reactions.

How do I book my appointment?

The registration system, which is obligatory for the Ingolstadt Vaccination Centre, consists of two stages: *registration and scheduling appointments*.

First, you register for the vaccination by providing the data necessary for prioritisation, such as age and occupational group. Subsequently, the scheduling software used in Bavaria will invite those registered persons with the currently highest priority according to the Coronavirus Vaccination Ordinance, either by SMS or e-mail (where applicable also by phone) to book a personal appointment with the vaccination centre responsible for them.

The allocation of vaccination appointments is based on which priority group you are part of and which groups are called upon to attend. This ensures that the people most at risk are always vaccinated first. Prioritisation is carried out in BayIMCO in accordance with the specifications of the [CoronaImpfV](#). People with the highest priority are given the opportunity to book an appointment. The time of registration as well as the choice of registration method (online, or call centre registration) have no influence on the timing of vaccination.

Why is the interval between vaccinations compulsory?

Every early second vaccination deprives a person who has not yet been vaccinated of this possibility of protection. In consultation with the Vaccination Task Force, therefore, the guiding principle continues to be to make full use of the vaccination intervals wherever possible. There will only be enough vaccine available from July 2021 to stabilise the normality that will then have been gained through an increased focus on second vaccinations and to enable Ingolstadt to have a great 2021 summer. The 12-week requirement continues to apply for second vaccinations administered at vaccination centres with AstraZeneca.

Two vaccinations are required for effective protection with most available vaccines. The Standing Commission on Vaccination (STIKO) recommends a vaccination interval of 6 weeks for mRNA vaccines (BioNTech/Pfizer, Moderna) and 12 weeks for the vector-based vaccine from AstraZeneca. The Johnson & Johnson vaccine requires only one vaccination.

Why is it not possible to postpone the fixed appointment?

Appointments for the second vaccination must always be adhered to by those receiving the vaccination. It is only permissible to postpone appointments in urgent, exceptional personal cases; this must also be supported by appropriate evidence. Urgent exceptional cases are, for example, illnesses that prevent vaccination on the booked date (evidenced by a doctor's certificate), or urgent personal reasons such as a death in the immediate family. In contrast, planned holidays or similar are not acceptable as an urgent personal reason. Vaccination candidates who wish to postpone their appointment for such reasons should not be offered an alternative appointment, according to the Bavarian Vaccination Taskforce.

Why haven't I been given an appointment yet?

You only need to register once and you will be contacted automatically when it is your turn. Please refrain from making enquiries, as this puts a strain on the capacities of the vaccination centres and leads to delays in the scheduling of appointments.

**“No one has to fear being forgotten”
You will be contacted automatically following registration.**

Should you not yet have been called or informed, there is unfortunately not enough vaccine available to schedule further appointments. Please note that only prioritised persons with an appointment at the Vaccination Centre can be vaccinated. Prioritisation will be verified at the centre. People without an appointment will unfortunately have to be turned away, even if they are accompanying someone who has already received an appointment.

What happens to leftover vaccine?

In spite of careful planning, it can occur in exceptional cases that a small amount of vaccine remains left over. The Coronavirus Vaccination Ordinance specifies how this vaccine should be used. Prior to immunisation, vaccine first needs to be prepared and diluted and then has a shelf life of only a few hours. People cancelling their vaccination appointment can therefore result in vaccine doses left over at the end of the day that would otherwise have to be discarded unused.

In order to avoid this, "leftover" vaccine doses in the field are subject to constant review in coordination with the Bavarian Vaccination Taskforce. Priority is also given in this respect in accordance with its specifications.

What do I need to take with me to the vaccination?

- Identity card/passport
- Evidence of eligibility (if needed)
- Certificate of vaccination, if available
- Invitation, if available
- Consent form and informed consent documents (if available):
 - Vaccination sheet with consent form and medical history
 - Information leaflet on vaccination with an mRNA vaccine against COVID-19
 - Information leaflet on vaccination with a vector vaccine against COVID-19
 - These can be downloaded using the following link:
[Coronavirus:Vaccination - Bavarian State Ministry for Health and Care](#)

How long previously must other vaccinations have been administered?

An interval of at least 14 days should be observed between vaccinations.

Who bears the costs of the vaccination?

Vaccination at the vaccination centres or by mobile vaccination teams is free of charge for citizens – regardless of insurance status. The Federal Government covers the costs of the vaccine. The states, together with the statutory health insurance and private health insurance funds, cover the costs of running the vaccination centres.

When should I arrive?

Please arrive as punctually as possible in order to avoid unnecessary waiting times and congestion. You are therefore advised to arrive no more than 5 to 10 minutes before your appointment.

Where will I be vaccinated?

Ingolstadt Vaccination Centre is at ground level and accessible and is located at Schillerstrasse 2, 85055 Ingolstadt in the Donau-City-Center.

How can I reach the Vaccination Centre?

Public transport: Stops Frühlingstrasse and Regensburger Strasse with lines 16, 18, 21, 31, 41, 51, N8, S6; [INVG timetable information](#)

Car/bike:

Donau-City-Center, Schillerstrasse 2, 85055 Ingolstadt. Parking spaces are available on the site of the Donau-City-Center. Parking is free for one hour at ground level and three hours in the accessible multi-storey car parks.

As a general rule, the City of Ingolstadt cannot cover taxi fares. Persons entitled to "medical transport" (e.g. with certain pre-existing conditions as well as limited mobility) can obtain a "prescription for medical transport" (model 4) for a journey by taxi from their general practitioner. A co-payment of five euros per journey must be paid by the person being vaccinated.

There is also the possibility of a transport service provided the requirements are met. This can be claimed by anyone who is also eligible for it when a transport to a doctor/rehabilitation facility or a dialysis centre is covered by the health insurance fund.

This applies to those in need of care with care level 4 or 5 as well as those in need of care with care level 3 if they have a permanent mobility impairment. Severely disabled persons are also eligible if they have at least one of the following abbreviations on their severely disabled person's card: "aG" for exceptional walking disability, "Bl" for blindness or "H" for helplessness. In principle, the same conditions apply here as apply elsewhere for the transport of ill persons in accordance with Section 60 (1) (1) of the Social Code (SGB), Book V, including the statutory co-payment of at least five euros per journey. Authorisation from the health insurance fund is always required.

What other vaccination centre support is provided on site?

A wide range of support services are provided on site in cooperation with the inclusion and integration officers of the City of Ingolstadt. Besides information material accessible in different languages and a general educational video understandable without language skills, which is shown with sign language interpreters, there are also sign language interpreters available for grouped appointments for deaf people. Persons being vaccinated can always be accompanied by relatives for support or translation.

When is the Vaccination Centre open?

The Ingolstadt Vaccination Centre and the entire vaccination strategy have a modular and flexible structure in order to be able to schedule and vaccinate the available vaccine quantities in a timely manner. The Vaccination Centre normally operates from 8 am to 5 pm on weekdays. In addition, there are the highly flexible mobile teams. Opening hours can be flexibly adjusted to meet the requirements if more vaccine is available – as was the case recently with the special AstraZeneca promotion. The involvement of registered doctors and (probably from 7 June 2021) of companies will enable us to be even more flexible in this respect.

How does the vaccination proceed on site?

First, the data entered during online registration are verified and the relevant supporting documents are checked. An information sheet also needs to be completed. The doctor discusses the vaccination candidate's medical history with them and provides detailed information about the vaccination. There should be enough time for a personal conversation.

The candidate is vaccinated after signing the consent form. The vaccinated person then spends about a quarter of an hour in an observation room for medical monitoring. They can then make their way home.

Why can I not choose my vaccine?

In view of the vaccine shortage, the entitlement to immunisation against the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus under the Corona Vaccination Ordinance does not yet confer the right to choose the vaccine of a specific manufacturer. The vaccine is used depending on availability and authorisation criteria. All vaccines have been assessed in pre-authorisation clinical trials on tens of thousands of volunteers and no serious side effects have been reported so far. It is still too early to make any conclusions about possible long-term effects. The risk of harm from the disease is much higher.

Which vaccine is currently used in the Vaccination Centre for first-time vaccinations?

The Ingolstadt Vaccination Centre will from now on only be supplied with so-called mRNA vaccines (BioNTech, Moderna) as specified by the Bavarian government. Vaccination using vaccine from AstraZeneca and Johnson & Johnson is only planned as part of special campaigns and second vaccinations, as well as in companies and GP surgeries. Any special quotas made available will be scheduled and vaccinated outside the prioritisation process as part of the vaccination strategy.

As a person under 60 years of age, which vaccine will I receive for the AstraZeneca second vaccination?

Second vaccination with AstraZeneca for candidates aged 60 and over:

- AstraZeneca will be administered to persons aged 60 and over for their second vaccination who were given the AstraZeneca vaccine the first time around. However, the date of the second vaccination should be 12 weeks after the date of the first vaccination.

Second vaccination for candidates aged under 60 who were vaccinated with AstraZeneca the first time around:

- People aged under 60 who were vaccinated with AstraZeneca the first time around may be vaccinated with AstraZeneca a second time. In accordance with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Vaccination (STIKO), they will receive an mRNA active substance for their second vaccination. The date of the second vaccination should also be 12 weeks after the date of the first vaccination.

How can I prove that I have been vaccinated?

Immunisation is documented in your vaccination certificate or, if your vaccination certificate is not presented, in a vaccination record.

Proof of complete immunisation against COVID-19 with a vaccine authorised in the European Union is the same as the required test proof from day 15 after the final vaccination. This can be proven

with the vaccination certificate (“vaccination passport”), which documents vaccination in accordance with Section 22 of the Infection Prevention Act (IfSG). If a vaccination certificate is not available or not presented at the time of vaccination, the documentation is effected by issuing a vaccination record containing the same information. This is also suitable as evidence of complete vaccination. The planned introduction of a digital vaccination certificate, which should ideally be made available to all sections of the population regardless of age and degree of digital participation, is currently the responsibility of the Federal Ministry of Health (BMG). The details and circumstances are still under development.

Further information

- www.zusammengegencorona.de
- www.gesundheitsministerium.de/coronavirus/faq-covid-19-impfung.html
- www.stmgp.bayern.de/coronavirus/impfung

Information about the vaccination campaign in Bavaria can also be found in **daily newspapers, on television and on the radio**. A vaccination hotline (0841 305-41000, 8 am to 4 pm, Monday to Friday) has been set up to answer **general questions**. Please contact your own doctor if you have any **specific medical questions** about your personal state of health.

You can access information on the Corona vaccination in **simple German** at: stmgp.bayern.de/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/allgemeine_informationen_corona_impfung.pdf