

COVID-19 vaccination: Information for retirees

How do I get the vaccination?

Retirees living in Switzerland

- [Registration for the vaccination](#) should be done using the online platform (in English, French, German or Italian): Access the [online registration for COVID-19 vaccination](#) (Geneva).
- Note: Problems connecting to the cantonal platform have been reported and specific issues identified with respect to the input of an insurance card number. Work is under way to resolve the issue as soon as possible. In the meantime, in the relevant page you can select a country other than Switzerland and indicate a “dummy” insurance card number of 18 characters (e.g. your SHIF insurance card number, followed by XXXXX up to 18 characters).
- Download the guide on how to register using an international insurance card (including SHIF).
- Registration may also be made using the vaccination telephone hotline (0800 909 400). The hotline takes into account specific requests for appointments, but only for people who meet the criteria for priority access to vaccination.

Retirees living in France

- Retirees living in neighbouring France with a valid Swiss carte de legitimisation may register for vaccination in Switzerland (see above). The telephone hotline (0800 909 400) should be used until international insurance cards are recognized by the online system. The hotline takes into account specific requests for appointments, but only for people who meet the criteria for priority access to vaccination.
- Retirees or dependents of staff living in France without a legitimisation card will not have access to Swiss vaccines and should be vaccinated through the French system. They are included in the planning of the French authorities and will benefit from the same measures as those planned for the population and in the same order of priority.

Retirees living in other countries

- **Retirees will be expected to receive the vaccine through the national vaccination programmes in the countries they are serving** and in accordance with the [WHO Prioritization Framework](#). This is a recommendation of the UN Medical Directors and an instruction of the UN Secretary-General.

What is the cost of vaccination?

In many countries, vaccination will be provided free of charge to residents. In other cases, SHIF will reimburse the cost of the vaccine at 100%. If billed separately, as may be the case in Switzerland, the physician's or nurse's fee will be reimbursed at a rate of 80 per cent.