

# Why should I have the COVID-19 vaccine?

You are at higher risk:

**1 in 5 people with chronic kidney disease (stage 4/5, transplant or dialysis) who caught COVID-19 had severe disease (serious illness or died)**



**COVID-19 vaccines save lives**



**The COVID-19 vaccines and other public health measures together will offer us the best protection against COVID-19.**

COVID-19 vaccines are free and available to everyone who chooses to have the vaccine.



You can ask your healthcare professional if the vaccine is right for you.

**Kidney Health New Zealand supports the COVID-19 vaccine for New Zealanders living with kidney disease**