



Fireworks and COVID-19 vaccinations

In a normal year, the Isobe Onsen Matsuri is one of the biggest matsuris in town. Due to coronavirus preventative measures, it is cancelled this year.



However, you can still watch the fireworks at home or from a nearby place on August 15th. It is scheduled to start at 8 pm, but may vary due to weather and/or coronavirus measures. The area around the river where people usually can watch fireworks is also closed off this year to prevent the spread of coronavirus. You can refer to the pamphlet below for more information.

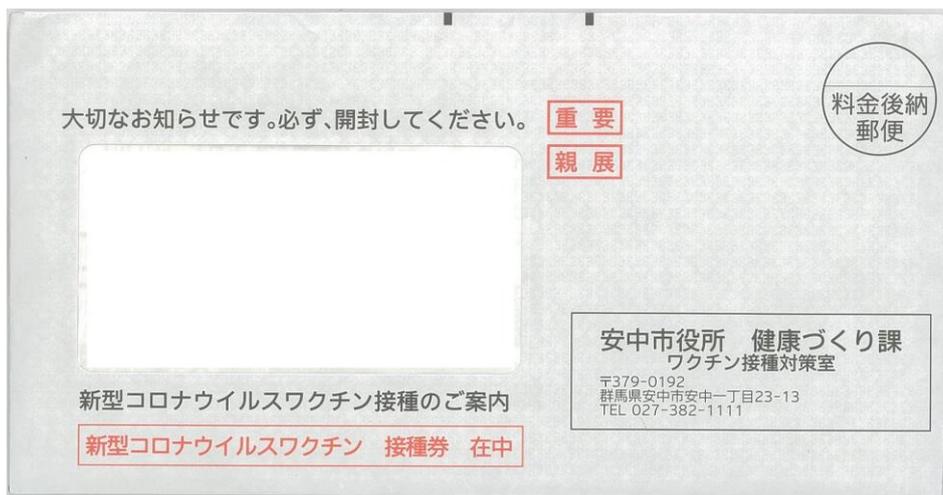
Vaccination Envelope

How can I get vaccinated?

You should have received an envelope containing all the forms (see below) necessary to book an appointment to receive your COVID-19 vaccination in early July. At the time of writing, Annaka city currently does not take reservations for vaccinations. However, there is a mass vaccination site at G-Messe in Takasaki, which you can book an appointment through the LINE App.



What do I need to bring to get my vaccination?



You should have all the forms you need in the envelope. The two green forms are the medical questionnaires. You must fill out one each time you receive the vaccine. You can refer to this site for translated versions of the form:

https://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/seisakunitsuite/bunya/vaccine_tagengo.html#h2_free1

However, you must fill out the form in Japanese. Do not put the stickers on yourself; they will do it for you when you are at the vaccination site. Besides from the forms, please bring an identification card with you (driver's license, residence "zairyu" card or passport).



What are some things I should look out for?

G-Messe only offers the Moderna vaccine, while Annaka city only offers the Pfizer vaccine. Currently, you cannot mix the type of vaccines you receive. You should get your second shot after 28 days if you received Moderna, while for Pfizer it is 3 weeks apart. If you have suffered to a severe allergic reaction from vaccines before, you should let a doctor know and stay at the venue for 30 minutes. Even if you haven't, you have to stay for 15 minutes at the venue to make sure you can be treated immediately if anything happens.