

Request following the lifting of the state of warning

We would like to thank all individuals and businesses in the prefecture for their efforts in preventing the spread of COVID-19 infections.

In order to prevent the spread of infection, the prefecture implemented its own state of warning and other standard policies from May 2020, but the state of infections during the 5th wave in July this year put a strain on the healthcare system. Based on the circumstances of vaccinations, while tentatively reviewing the situation, we have lifted the state of warning within Niigata Prefecture.

However, this does not mean that infections have completely stopped in the prefecture, so it is necessary to continue measures to prevent the spread of infection.

For the time being, regardless of if you are vaccinated or not, we request that you continue to follow basic preventative measures such as wearing a mask and sanitizing your hands.

※After reviewing the alarm criteria, we have discontinued the state of advisory. Going forward, we will implement the following measures to organize a “new normal.”

Even in this “new normal,” please follow these points

- ✓ Regardless of if you are vaccinated or not, continue to follow basic preventative measures such as wearing a mask and washing your hands.
- ✓ If you organize a drinking party, along with implementing basic preventative methods and managing your health, please observe the following as much as possible:
 - Stay seated (no standing or moving seats)
 - Limit the number of people to less than 50% of capacity
(especially in the case of a large number of people)
 - Participate with other vaccinated people,
or those who have proof of a negative PCR test result
- ◆ Restrictions on seating/capacity numbers may be eased based on results from forthcoming research
- ◆ Please use businesses that thoroughly follow preventative measures such as Niigata Safe Shop Support Project certified stores.

◎ The vaccine is not 100% effective at preventing infection, however, it is expected to be effective in preventing the onset and severity of symptoms. With that in mind, please consider getting vaccinated.