Community Vaccination Centre in Causeway Bay comes into operation (with photos)

The Satellite Community Vaccination Centre (SCVC) in Leighton Centre in Causeway Bay came into operation today (February 11) to provide the BioNTech vaccination service to members of the public. The Secretary for the Civil Service, Mr Patrick Nip, and the Chairman of Hysan Development, Ms Irene Lee, jointly inspected the first-day operation of the SCVC.

"The current epidemic situation is of grave concern, with more than 1 000 confirmed cases per day, which is on the rise, and cases involving the death of elderly persons. The situation has posed an unprecedented threat to Hong Kong. Under the epidemic, we strive to reach a vaccination rate of 90 per cent as soon as possible. On one hand, this is for self-protection for those who are vaccinated and to reduce the risk of falling seriously ill and death should one get infected. On the other hand, this serves to safeguard the already overloaded public healthcare system. Every person has a role to play under the epidemic. Those who have not yet received their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, especially elderly persons, must take prompt action and then receive their second and third doses on time. Those who have already received their vaccinations on time should encourage and make arrangements for elderly members in their families to get vaccinated," Mr Nip said.

"The SCVC is expected to provide a maximum of over 1 000 vaccination doses to the public every day. I hope that members of the public can make good use of this easily accessible vaccination venue and get vaccinated as soon as possible.

"I am grateful to Hysan Development for joining hands with the Government to promote COVID-19 vaccination by providing a venue free of charge and facilitating the setting up of this SCVC so that more people can have vaccine protection as early as possible. Looking back on the setting up of this SCVC in Leighton Centre, it took less than a month from preliminary thoughts to putting the ideas into practice. It shows that with concerted efforts, nothing is unachievable."

The SCVC in Leighton Centre operates daily from 8am to 8pm and is closed between 1.30pm and 2.30pm for cleaning. Same-day tickets are not available at this vaccination centre. All eligible persons can receive their first, second or third dose of BioNTech vaccination at the SCVC.

Located at the seventh floor of Leighton Centre in Causeway Bay, the SCVC is retrofitted from a car park with a dedicated lift for direct access from the ground floor of the building. The SCVC is operated by the medical group of the Community Vaccination Centre (CVC) at Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park Sports Centre.

To enable the public's understanding of COVID-19 vaccines, a COVID-19 Vaccination Resource Centre is set up at Shop No. G10, UG/F, Leighton Centre to provide the public with information relating to COVID-19 vaccines, including vaccination venues and the latest situation of COVID-19 vaccination in Hong Kong.

Currently, there are 15 CVCs serving the public. Three Children Community Vaccination Centres (CCVCs) will operate soon starting from next Wednesday (February 16). Persons aged 60 or above can collect a same-day ticket for vaccination at most of the CVCs.

CVCs providing the Sinovac CoronaVac vaccine for persons aged 5 or above

Java Road Sports Centre in North Point

Kwun Chung Sports Centre in Jordan

Yuen Wo Road Sports Centre in Sha Tin

CVCs providing the Fosun/BioNTech Comirnaty vaccine for persons aged 12 or above

Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park Sports Centre in Sai Ying Pun

Boundary Street Sports Centre in Mong Kok

Education Bureau Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre

Kowloon Bay Sports Centre

Sai Wan Ho Sports Centre

Hiu Kwong Street Sports Centre in Kwun Tong

Lai Chi Kok Park Sports Centre

Yuen Long Sports Centre

Osman Ramju Sadick Memorial Sports Centre in Kwai Chung

 $\hbox{HKU CVC at Gleneagles Hospital Hong Kong in Wong Chuk Hang (no same-day)}\\$

tickets; until February 22)

CUHK Medical Centre in Sha Tin (no same-day tickets)

SCVC in Leighton Centre in Causeway Bay (no same-day tickets)

CCVCs providing the Fosun/BioNTech Comirnaty vaccine for children aged 5 to 11 with reservation

Hong Kong Children's Hospital in Kowloon Bay (starting from February 16) Yuen Chau Kok Sports Centre in Sha Tin (starting from February 16) HKU CCVC at Gleneagles Hospital Hong Kong in Wong Chuk Hang (starting from February 24)

Other channels for free COVID-19 vaccination are as follows:

- * 25 general out-patient clinics under the Hospital Authority (www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202201/15/P2022011500269.htm);
- * 13 Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Stations (www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/HA HCVS Location ENG.pdf);
- * 15 Elderly Health Centres under the Department of Health

(www.elderly.gov.hk/english/contactus/elderly health centres.html);

* five Student Health Service Centres under the Department of Health which provide the Sinovac vaccination service to students of primary and secondary schools

(www.studenthealth.gov.hk/english/covid19/covid19 vaccination in shsc.html);

- * over 1 000 private doctors or clinics which provide the Sinovac vaccination service (www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/VSS);
- * 33 venues operated by private healthcare institutions enrolled in the BioNTech Vaccination Pilot Scheme (www.chp.gov.hk/files/pdf/list vssdr covid bnt pilot eng.pdf); and
- * two Mobile Vaccination Stations (www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/List_Mobile_Vaccination_Station_ENG.pdf).

The minimum age for receiving the Sinovac vaccine is 5. The minimum age for receiving the BioNTech vaccine will be lowered to 5 from next Wednesday (February 16).

Before making an appointment, members of the public should take note of a minimum interval of 14 days between COVID-19 vaccination and any other vaccination (including seasonal influenza vaccination).







