## Government to offer more channels to facilitate COVID-19 vaccination of elderly and children

Starting from August 15, the Community Vaccination Centre (CVC) at MTR Tsing Yi Station and the Children Community Vaccination Centre (CCVC) at Hong Kong Children's Hospital will concurrently provide vaccination service with the Sinovac and BioNTech vaccines. Members of the public can make online reservations via the designated website of the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme from 9am tomorrow (August 12).

In addition, starting from August 15, the Maternal and Child Health Centres under the Department of Health (DH) will provide the Sinovac vaccination service to children aged 6 months to 3 years when they receive regular services with bookings.

The vaccination centres at MTR Tsing Yi Station and Hong Kong Children's Hospital used to provide the BioNTech vaccine only and members of the public can select to receive the Sinovac or BioNTech vaccines at these two venues soon. Hong Kong Children's Hospital will administer the Sinovac vaccine for children aged 6 months to 17 years while children aged 5 to 11 can continue to receive the BioNTech vaccine there. Partitions and signage will be placed on-site as appropriate for identification of the vaccination zones for the two types of vaccine.

The Secretary for the Civil Service, Mrs Ingrid Yeung, said today (August 11), "We hope to make flexible and optimal use of existing facilities by practical and safe arrangements to provide more vaccination channels for the convenience and choice of the public. The Government has also introduced targeted measures for children and the elderly to enable parents to let their children receive COVID-19 vaccination while obtaining services at Maternal and Child Health Centres. Currently, Elderly Health Centres also offer vaccination service to their users, so as to facilitate and encourage the early vaccination of the young and the old for self-protection.

"In face of the COVID-19 epidemic, the Government strives to safeguard the health of the public and to reduce the impact on the normal activities of the community at the same time. As members of the community, people should make an effort to strengthen the protective shield in the community by receiving a suitable number of vaccine doses on time and arranging for elderly people and young children in their families to get vaccinated. At present, the vaccination venues have abundant vaccination capacity to cope with the demand of the public."

Channels for free vaccination

- Community Vaccination Centres
- Children Community Vaccination Centres
- Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Stations
- Designated general outpatient clinics of the Hospital Authority
- Elderly Health Centres of the DH
- Designated Student Health Service Centres of the DH
- Maternal and Child Health Centres of the DH
- Private doctors and clinics providing the Sinovac vaccination service
- Private healthcare institutions providing the BioNTech vaccination service
- Home Vaccination Service

The designated website for the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme (<a href="www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/programme">www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/programme</a>) provides the latest information including details on vaccination venues, reservation and enquiry hotlines.

For the information of Maternal and Child Health Centres of the DH, please refer to the website at <a href="https://www.fhs.gov.hk/english/centre-det/maternal/maternal.html">www.fhs.gov.hk/english/centre-det/maternal/maternal.html</a>.

Vaccination centres providing the Sinovac vaccine for persons aged 6 months old or above

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Java Road Sports Centre in North Point

Kwun Chung Sports Centre in Jordan

Yuen Wo Road Sports Centre in Sha Tin

Millennium City 5 in Kwun Tong

Hong Kong Spinners Industrial Building in Cheung Sha Wan

MTR Tsing Yi Station (starting from August 15)

CCVC at Hong Kong Children's Hospital in Kowloon Bay (only for persons aged 6 months to 17 years starting from August 15; no same-day tickets)

Vaccination centres providing the BioNTech vaccine for children aged 5 to 11 (no same-day tickets)

CCVC at Hong Kong Children's Hospital in Kowloon Bay

HKU CCVC at Gleneagles Hospital Hong Kong in Wong Chuk Hang (on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays)

CUHK Medical Centre in Sha Tin

Osman Ramju Sadick Memorial Sports Centre in Kwai Chung

Vaccination centres providing the BioNTech vaccine for persons aged 12 or above

Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park Sports Centre in Sai Ying Pun

Satellite Community Vaccination Centre, Leighton Centre in Causeway Bay (no same-day tickets)

Sai Wan Ho Sports Centre

Boundary Street Sports Centre in Mong Kok

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
MTR Tsing Yi Station
CUHK Medical Centre in Sha Tin (no same-day tickets)
HKU Community Vaccination Centre at Gleneagles Hospital Hong Kong (on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays; no same-day tickets)
Pop-up CVC at 17th floor of Landmark North in Sheung Shui

Things to note for vaccination of children

Parents are required to present the original copy of their children's birth certificate or juvenile identity card and bring along the consent form signed by the parents on the date of vaccination of the children. Children aged 6 months to 11 years must be accompanied by their parents/guardians in person when receiving vaccination.

Consent form for persons aged below 18 receiving the Sinovac vaccine and persons aged 12 to 17 receiving the BioNTech vaccine: www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/Consent Form for COVID19 Vaccination ENG.pdf.

Consent form for children aged 5 to 11 receiving the BioNTech vaccine: <a href="https://www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/Consent\_Form\_for\_Fractional\_BioNTech\_Vaccination\_ENG.pdf">www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/Consent\_Form\_for\_Fractional\_BioNTech\_Vaccination\_ENG.pdf</a>.

The minimum age for receiving the Sinovac vaccine is 6 months old while the minimum age for receiving the BioNTech vaccine is 5 years old.