<u>Service extension of Hospital COVID-19</u> <u>Vaccination Stations and Children</u> <u>Community Vaccination Centres</u>

Starting from this Saturday (February 26), 13 Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Stations (HCVSs) will extend service to six days a week and open on Saturdays to provide BioNTech vaccination service without prior booking.

In addition, the HKU Children Community Vaccination Centre (CCVC) at Gleneagles Hospital Hong Kong will commence operation tomorrow (February 24) to provide BioNTech vaccination service for children aged 5 to 11. It will open from 10am to 6pm from Monday to Friday, and 8am to 8pm on Saturdays and Sundays. Starting from March 1, the opening hours will be extended from 10am to 8pm from Monday to Friday, and 8am to 8pm on Saturdays and Sundays.

The Secretary for the Civil Service, Mr Patrick Nip, said, "The HCVSs have gradually become an important channel for vaccination since their launch in phases in late September last year. The current epidemic situation is of grave concern. In order to let more members of the public get vaccinated within a short period of time, as a measure to increase the vaccination capacity, the opening hours of the HCVSs will be extended from Monday to Friday to Monday to Saturday.

"Three vaccination centres started to provide service to the public today. The centres at Loke Yew Hall at the University of Hong Kong in Pok Fu Lam and at Tsuen Wan Sports Centre provide BioNTech vaccination service, while the Community Vaccination Centre (CVC) at the Hong Kong Central Library provides Sinovac vaccination service for children, teenagers and elderly persons. Starting from tomorrow, the HKU CCVC at Gleneagles Hospital Hong Kong will administer the BioNTech vaccine to children aged 5 to 11. We will closely monitor the demand for the vaccines and increase the number of vaccination venues later to facilitate the vaccination of children and teenagers so as to boost the vaccination rate as quickly as possible and build a protective barrier in the community."

The HCVSs are located at Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital, Tseung Kwan O Hospital, Caritas Medical Centre, Prince of Wales Hospital, Queen Mary Hospital, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Tuen Mun Hospital, Pok Oi Hospital, North District Hospital, Princess Margaret Hospital, Ruttonjee Hospital, Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital and Yan Chai Hospital.

Except for the Princess Margaret Hospital, the new opening hours of the HCVSs are from 10am to 7pm from Monday to Saturday except public holidays. Last vaccination is at 6.30pm. The Princess Margaret Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station operates from 9am to 6pm from Monday to Saturday except public holidays. Last vaccination is at 5.30pm. All HCVSs remain open during lunch break.

The locations of the HCVSs providing the Fosun/BioNTech Comirnaty vaccine are as follows:

Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: 2/F, Block B, Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital, 11 Chuen On Road, Tai Po

Yan Chai Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: Conference Room 3 and Health Resource Centre, 8/F, Block C, Yan Chai Hospital, 7-11 Yan Chai Street

Princess Margaret Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: Community Health Resource Centre, G/F, Block M, Princess Margaret Hospital, 2-10 Princess Margaret Hospital Road

Ruttonjee Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: LG1/F, Hospital Main Building, Ruttonjee Hospital, 266 Queen's Road East

Pok Oi Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: G/F, Pok Oi Hospital, Au Tau, Yuen Long

North District Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: Garden, G/F, North District Hospital, 9 Po Kin Road

Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: Hospital Hall, G/F, East Block, Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital, 3 Lok Man Road

Tseung Kwan O Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: Function Room, 1/F, Ambulatory Care Block, Tseung Kwan O Hospital, 2 Po Ning Lane, Hang Hau

Caritas Medical Centre COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: Function Room (Room 1069), 1/F, Wai Ming Block, Caritas Medical Centre, 111 Wing Hong Street

Prince of Wales Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: 2/F, Day Treatment Block and Children Wards, Prince of Wales Hospital, 30-32 Ngan Shing Street

Queen Mary Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: 3/F, Block S, Queen Mary Hospital, 102 Pokfulam Road

Queen Elizabeth Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: G/F, Ambulatory Care Centre, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, 30 Gascoigne Road

Tuen Mun Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Station Address: G/F, Main Block, Tuen Mun Hospital, 23 Tsing Chung Koon Road The designated website for the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme (<u>www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/programme</u>) provides the latest information including vaccination venues, reservation and enquiry hotlines. 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).

As the BioNTech vaccine for children requires a special dilution procedure, children aged 5 to 11 must receive the BioNTech vaccine at the three CCVCs (Hong Kong Children's Hospital, Yuen Chau Kok Sports Centre and Gleneagles Hospital Hong Kong).

Channels for a free COVID-19 vaccination are as follows:

* Community Vaccination Centres

CVCs providing the Sinovac CoronaVac vaccine for persons aged 3 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 Sinovac CoronaVac vaccine for persons aged 3 to 17 and those aged 60 or above

Hong Kong Central Library in Causeway Bay

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

Loke Yew Hall, the University of Hong Kong in Pok Fu Lam Tsuen Wan Sports Centre 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 Tuen Mun Town Hall Wo Hing Playground in Fanling (operation to resume on February 24; distribution of same-day tickets to resume on March 3) Sha Tin Town Hall CUHK Medical Centre in Sha Tin (no same-day tickets) Satellite Community Vaccination Centre, 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 Yuen Chau Kok Sports Centre in Sha Tin HKU CCVC at Gleneagles Hospital Hong Kong in Wong Chuk Hang (starting from February 24)

* over 1 000 private doctors or clinics which provide the Sinovac vaccination service (<u>www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/VSS</u>);

* 37 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);

* two Mobile Vaccination Stations
(www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/List_Mobile_Vaccination_Station_ENG.pdf);

* 13 Hospital COVID-19 Vaccination Stations
(www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/HA_HCVS_Location_ENG.pdf);

* 19 general out-patient clinics under the Hospital Authority
(www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/List_of_HAGOPC_Venues.pdf);

* 15 Elderly Health Centres under the Department of Health
(www.elderly.gov.hk/english/contactus/elderly_health_centres.html); and

* five Student Health Service Centres under the Department of Health which provide the Sinovac vaccination service to children/students aged 3 to 17 (www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202202/14/P2022021400705.htm).