

Service extension of various Community Vaccination Centres for early COVID-19 vaccination

The Government announced today (March 14) that, in view of the severe epidemic situation and the public demand for COVID-19 vaccination, the service arrangements of Community Vaccination Centres (CVCs) under the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme will be extended to enable the public to receive vaccination as soon as possible for their own protection and to reduce the risk of falling seriously ill and death should they become infected. It also serves as an indirect protection for the healthcare system.

Starting from Wednesday (March 16), the Satellite Community Vaccination Centre (SCVC) at Leighton Centre in Causeway Bay will extend its service, with an additional venue on the sixth floor to provide the BioNTech vaccination to persons aged 12 or above and will accept group bookings by schools for students of suitable age. Starting from 9am tomorrow (March 15), members of the public can make online reservations through the booking system on the designated website (booking.covidvaccine.gov.hk). No same-day tickets will be available at this vaccination centre.

The Pop-up Community Vaccination Centre (PCVC) at Wo Hing Playground, Lui Ming Road, Fanling, will be relocated to the 17th floor of Landmark North at 39 Lung Sum Avenue, Sheung Shui, from this Wednesday and extend service to April 30. The PCVC will continue to provide BioNTech vaccination to persons aged 12 or above. The reservations of affected persons will be automatically transferred to the vaccination centre in Landmark North with the date and time of vaccination unchanged. The affected persons will receive notifications via SMS.

Meanwhile, two PCVCs located at the ground floor lobby of Tuen Mun Town Hall, 3 Tuen Hi Road, Tuen Mun, and the ground floor lobby of Sha Tin Town Hall, 1 Yuen Wo Road, Sha Tin, which have commenced operation since mid-February, will extend service to April 18 and continue to administer the BioNTech vaccine to persons aged 12 or above.

The three PCVCs operate daily from 9am to 6pm. Members of the public can make reservations through the booking system on the designated website.

The CVCs located at the Hong Kong Central Library in Causeway Bay, the Hong Kong Spinners Industrial Building in Cheung Sha Wan and Millennium City 5 in Kwun Tong, are currently dedicated to providing the Sinovac vaccination to children and teenagers aged 3 to 17 and elderly persons aged 60 or above. Starting from Friday (March 18), these three CVCs will extend service to provide COVID-19 vaccines to all eligible persons aged 3 or above. The booking system on the designated website will also allow booking of these three CVCs by persons aged 18 to 59 from 9am on Thursday (March 17).

In addition, starting from Friday, all CVCs providing the Sinovac vaccine will distribute same-day tickets to children and teenagers aged 3 to 17, and elderly persons aged 60 or above. Fourteen CVCs providing the BioNTech vaccine to persons aged 12 or above (excluding four Children Community Vaccination Centres (CCVCs), and the CVC at the CUHK Medical Centre in Sha Tin and the SCVC at Leighton Centre in Causeway Bay which do not have same-day ticket arrangements), will distribute same-day tickets to persons aged 12 to 17 and elderly person starting from Friday.

Persons receiving the vaccination have to bring along original identity documents. If children's identity documents do not bear the child's photo, such as the birth certificate, then school documents (such as school handbooks) bearing a photo of the student must be presented at the time of vaccination.

For children and teenagers aged 3 to 17 receiving the Sinovac vaccine, they must bring along a consent form signed by their parents on the date of vaccination. Please use the following version of consent form (www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/Consent_Form_for_COVID19_Vaccination_ENG.pdf). In addition, children aged 3 to 11 receiving the Sinovac vaccine must be accompanied by their parents/guardians in person when receiving vaccination.

Persons aged 12 to 17 receiving the BioNTech vaccine must also bring along a consent form of the following version signed by their parents on the date of vaccination (www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/Consent_Form_for_COVID19_Vaccination_ENG.pdf).

Meanwhile, as the BioNTech vaccine for children requires a special dilution procedure, children aged 5 to 11 must receive the BioNTech vaccine at the four CCVCs and not at other venues.

The designated website for the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme (www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/programme) provides the latest information including vaccination venues, reservation and enquiry hotlines.

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

MTR Tsing Yi Station CVC

Hong Kong Central Library in Causeway Bay (starting from March 18)

Hong Kong Spinners Industrial Building CVC in Cheung Sha Wan (starting from March 18)

Millennium City 5 CVC in Kwun Tong (starting from March 18)

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

Hong Kong Central Library in Causeway Bay
Hong Kong Spinners Industrial Building CVC in Cheung Sha Wan
Millennium City 5 CVC in Kwun Tong

Children Community Vaccination Centres (CCVCs) providing the Fosun/BioNTech Comirnaty vaccine for children aged 5 to 11 with reservation

CCVC at Hong Kong Children's Hospital in Kowloon Bay
CCVC at Yuen Chau Kok Sports Centre in Sha Tin
HKU CCVC at Gleneagles Hospital Hong Kong in Wong Chuk Hang
CCVC at Tsuen Wan Sports Centre

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 (To be relocated to Landmark North, Sheung Shui from March 16)
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)

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

* 41 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);

* four 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);

* 10 general out-patient clinics under the Hospital Authority

(www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/pdf/List_of_HAGOPC_Venues.pdf);

* five Student Health Service Centres under the Department of Health which provide the Sinovac vaccination service to children/students aged 3 to 17 (www.studenthealth.gov.hk/english/covid19/covid19_vaccination_in_shsc.html);

* 19 Maternal and Child Health Centres under the Department of Health which provide the Sinovac vaccination service to pregnant women receiving antenatal services (www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202202/27/P2022022700620.htm);

* 11 Elderly Health Centres under the Department of Health which provide walk-in Sinovac vaccination service to persons aged 65 or above (www.elderly.gov.hk/english/contactus/elderly_health_centres.html); and

* Kwai Tsing District Health Centre which provides the BioNTech vaccination service (www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/202202/24/P2022022400603.htm).

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).