Ministry of Health and Wellness

COMMUNIQUE

The Ministry of Health and Wellness informs the public that the administration of a 2nd Booster Dose of COVID-19 Vaccine will be carried out as from Saturday 23 April 2022 for persons aged 59 years and above and High-Risk Patients. The 2nd Booster Dose can be administered 4 months after the 1st Booster Dose. It is highly recommended to get the 2nd Booster not later than 6 months after the administration of the 1st Booster Dose.

The 2nd Booster Dose will be equivalent to
- A third dose to those who received a booster dose following a single dose of Janssen vaccine.
- A fourth dose to those who received a booster dose following 2 doses of AstraZeneca/Covishield, Covaxin, Sinopharm, Sputnik V, Pfizer BioNTech or Moderna Vaccine.

The concerned high risk patients is as follows:

- Dialysis
- Organ transplant
- Cancer
- Severe respiratory diseases,
- Trisomy
- On immunosuppressants (on high dose steroids, cyclosporine, methotrexate, etc)
- People Living with HIV
- People with obesity
- People with High Blood Pressure and Ischaemic Heart Diseases
- People with Diabetes Mellitus.

The vaccine to be administered as 2nd Booster Dose will be
- Pfizer Vaccine for
  - High risk patients aged 40 to 59 years old and
  - Persons aged 59 years and above

- Moderna Vaccine for
  - High risk patients aged 18 to 39 years old.

NOTE: A person who is eligible and willing to receive his 2nd booster dose and who has been tested COVID-19 positive will have a waiting period of 40 days after initially being tested positive.
The programme will be carried out in alphabetical order in the following centres:

- **Monday and Thursday: A – F**
- **Tuesday and Friday: G – N**
- **Wednesday and Saturday: O - Z**

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<td>Dr A. G. Jeetoo Hospital (Civil Hospital), Port Louis</td>
<td>Moderna and Pfizer Vaccines</td>
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**NOTE:** as from **Saturday 23 April 2022**, and **all forthcoming Saturdays**, all fixed vaccination centres, regional hospitals and mobile teams carrying out vaccination in the community **will close at noon**.

All those wishing to get vaccinated are kindly requested to bring their **National Identity Card and their vaccination card** along with them for the administration of the 2\textsuperscript{nd} Booster Dose.

22 April 2022