

## Extension of working hours at walk-in vaccination centres

### Operation of the vaccination centres (walk-in) as of Monday 22 November:

The walk-in centres operating in all districts, **will be open from Monday to Friday, from 8 am to 6 pm and on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

**The following centers will operate daily from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m:**

Lefkosia	A) State Fair A, B, C, D B) Latsia Health Centre
Lemesos	A) "Spiros Kyprianou" Sports Centre A, B, C, D B) Linopetra Health Centre C) Troodos Hospital (Kyperounta)
Larnaka	Larnaka Port, A, B, C, D
Ammochostos	General Hospital
Pafos	General Hospital

**The following walk in vaccination centres will continue to operate daily, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturdays until 1 p.m.:**

Lefkosia	A) State Fair A, B, C, D
Lemesos	"Spiros Kyprianou" Sports Centre A, B, C, D
Larnaka	Larnaka Port, A, B, C, D
Ammochostos	General Hospital
Pafos	General Hospital

Beneficiaries for vaccination are the following groups of citizens:

- 1. Persons aged 12 years and over who have not yet been vaccinated** against COVID-19 (first dose administration).
- 2. Individuals aged 12 years and over who have received the 1st dose of the vaccine** and the period required for the 2nd dose has elapsed for the completion of their vaccination scheme (administration of the 2nd dose).
- 3. Persons aged 40 years and over** will be served in order to receive a **booster/3<sup>rd</sup> dose**, provided that six months have elapsed since their vaccination with the 2nd dose.

4. **Persons belonging to vulnerable groups**, as announced by the Ministry of Health will be served in order to receive a booster/ 3<sup>rd</sup> dose of the vaccine. Beneficiaries must provide evidence of their diagnosis (certificate by a treating physician, a General Health System prescription, etc.).

5. **Health professionals and employees at senior peoples' homes.**

All individuals must **present proof of identification** (identity, passport, Alien Registration Card, etc.) as well as **their vaccination card** if they are to receive the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> dose.

Background:

As part of the Government's efforts to increase the vaccination coverage of the population against COVID-19, and in particular, in order to better serve citizens, it has been decided to extend the operating hours of the walk in centres, in all districts.

Knowing that early mass vaccination of citizens against COVID-19 is one of the most powerful weapons to effectively tackle the pandemic and contain the coronavirus, the extension of opening hours offers to all citizens the opportunity to proceed to vaccination, thereby shielding themselves and those around them.

With a view to safeguard public health, the Government will monitor the epidemiological indicators as shaped by the rate of vaccination coverage and, if necessary, consider taking strict measures.

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