

COVID-19 vaccination for some members of priority groups (with photos/videos)

Around 200 people in the vaccination priority groups arranged by the Government today (February 23) received COVID-19 vaccination at the Community Vaccination Centre (CVC) at the Exhibition Gallery of the Hong Kong Central Library to appeal through their actions to other members of the priority groups to get vaccinated early, with a view to protecting themselves and others.

People vaccinated in the morning session included more than 100 healthcare workers, staff of residential care homes for the elderly, airport staff and cross-boundary goods vehicle drivers. In the afternoon, over 100 officers of the six disciplined services, namely the Hong Kong Police Force, the Customs and Excise Department, the Correctional Services Department, the Fire Services Department, the Immigration Department and the Government Flying Service were vaccinated.

The Secretary for the Civil Service, Mr Patrick Nip; the Secretary for Food and Health, Professor Sophia Chan; and the Secretary for Transport and Housing, Mr Frank Chan Fan, visited the centre.

The Commissioner of Police, Mr Tang Ping-keung; the Commissioner of Customs and Excise, Mr Hermes Tang; the Commissioner of Correctional Services, Mr Woo Ying-ming; the Director of Fire Services, Mr Joseph Leung; the Director of Immigration, Mr Au Ka-wang; and the Controller of the Government Flying Service, Captain Wu Wai-hung, also went with their colleagues to the CVC to get vaccinated.

Vaccination is free of charge. Priority vaccination is arranged for five groups of people, namely persons aged 60 years or above (a maximum of two carers accompanying elderly people aged 70 or above can also get vaccinated); personnel in healthcare settings and those participating in anti-epidemic related work; residents and staff of residential care homes for the elderly/persons with disabilities; personnel maintaining critical public services; and personnel performing cross-boundary related work.

People in the priority groups who have made reservations can get vaccinated at five CVCs and 18 general out-patient clinics of the Hospital Authority starting from Friday (February 26). Private doctors participating in the vaccination programme will also administer the Sinovac vaccine for people in the priority groups in early March.

For information on vaccines, please visit the designated website at www.covidvaccine.gov.hk.



