Factsheet on COVID-19 Vaccination for Persons with Prior COVID-19 Infection

1. I have recovered from COVID-19 infection. Which type of COVID-19 vaccine should I receive and what is the dosing schedule?

According to the current recommendation of the Joint Scientific Committees of Emerging and Zoonotic Diseases and Vaccine Preventable Diseases, persons recovered from COVID-19 infection is recommended to receive only one dose of COVID-19 vaccine for furthering their personal protection.

Persons who wish to receive mRNA vaccine (Comirnaty (BioNTech)) should wait for at least 90 days after being discharged from COVID-19 infection. Whereas, persons who wish to receive inactivated vaccine (CoronaVac (Sinovac)) should wait for at least 180 days after being discharged.

2. I have recovered from COVID-19 infection and have received one dose of COVID-19 vaccine earlier than the recommended date, do I still need to get another (second) dose?

According to expert recommendation, second dose of COVID-19 vaccine is not required if persons who are previously infected with COVID-19 have received the first dose of Comirnaty (BioNTech) earlier than 90 days or have received the first dose of CoronaVac (Sinovac) earlier than 180 days after discharge.

You can contact the vaccination service provider that provided you with vaccination services earlier to obtain the updated paper vaccination record.

3. I have recovered from COVID-19 infection. Where should I receive my COVID-19 vaccine?

To facilitate your vaccination, you can walk-in any Community Vaccination Centres or arrange vaccination with any private doctors/clinics enrolled in the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme under the Vaccination Subsidy Scheme (VSS).

For the list of Community Vaccination Centres providing Comirnaty (BioNTech) or CoronaVac (Sinovac) vaccine, please visit the website: https://www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/programme.

For the list of enrolled private doctors/clinics providing CoronaVac vaccine, please visit the website: https://www.covidvaccine.gov.hk/en/VSS.

Different from the recommended 2-dose schedule of COVID-19 vaccination, one dose of COVID-19 vaccine would be considered complete for recovered clients. Such arrangement would be reflected in the vaccination record appropriately.
4. I have recovered from COVID-19 infection and wish to receive my vaccine in the Community Vaccination Centres serving recovered clients. Do I need a booking before attending?

On-line booking is not required for clients who have recovered from COVID-19 infection. You can bring this factsheet and your Hong Kong Identity Card to the Community Vaccination Centres following the recommendation interval to receive COVID-19 vaccine.

To be completed by Healthcare Provider only

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