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Vaccination of persons who have not turned up for COVID-19 vaccination


Vaccination of the population is important to control the disease spread, prevent complications and deaths. Analysis of data on deaths show that over 75% of the deaths occur in the above 60 years age group. In addition, considerable proportion of deaths are in persons with co morbidities. Of all deaths, a significant proportion are not vaccinated or have not completed the two doses of vaccination.

At present all districts have received vaccines and vaccination is ongoing in many districts. It is important to ensure vaccination of unvaccinated persons especially the above-mentioned high-risk groups. In order to vaccinate the persons who have not turned up for vaccination, the Medical Officers of Health should,

1. Obtain the details of persons who have not turned up for vaccination especially the high-risk groups through the public health field staff, Grama Niladhari and village Committee with the assistance of OIC of the area police.
2. Set up special vaccination centres to provide vaccination. The details of the centers should be announced as well as informed through the above staff in advance.
3. For persons who do not turn up for vaccination at special vaccination centers, arrangements should be made to conduct mobile vaccination programme by visiting the residences. This should be done with the assistance of the public health field staff, Grama Niladhari, area police, members of the Grameeya Committee, Local Government Authority and the Divisional Secretary.

Through above measures the required vaccine coverage for the area including of the high risk vulnerable groups can be achieved. This will have a significant impact on reducing the deaths

and complications. All Medical Officers of Health should give priority to this programme and health authorities and technical focal points at provincial and district level should closely monitor and supervise the implementation to achieve the target within a short period of time.


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