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REGISTRATION FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AGED 60 YEARS AND ABOVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NATIONAL COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAM IN BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

09 Ramadhan 1442 / 22 April 2021

1. Alhamdulillah, in the first phase of the implementation of the COVID-19 vaccine program, a total of 10,715 individuals have received the first dose of COVID-19 vaccine injection to date.
2. As previously mentioned, it is not mandatory to get the COVID-19 vaccine. However, The public is welcome to register for the COVID-19 vaccine injection when reservations for injection slots are announced according to the phases implemented. Commencing **today, Thursday, 9 Ramadhan 1442 Hijrah / 22 April 2021**, reservations for injection slots via the **BruHealth app for senior citizens aged 60 years and above will be open and the implementation of the injection will commence on Saturday, 11 Ramadhan 1442 Hijrah / 24 April 2021** and they will be offered the **AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine.**

3. As previously stated during the Ministry of Health's Press Conference on 06 Ramadhan 1442 / 19 April 2021 that based on the overall assessment by the COVID-19 Vaccine Technical Committee that the administration of AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine can be offered with the following criteria:
 - (i) Due to the increased risk observed in younger individuals, and the lower risk and higher benefit ratio of the above 60 years, **the AstraZeneca vaccine will be offered to adults above the age of 60 years.**
 - (ii) The AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine can be used in adults aged under 60 years where the benefits are likely to outweigh the risks for that individual and the person has made an informed consent based on an understanding of the risks and benefits, and as well as has personally requested the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine.

8. For further information and latest updates, members of the public can visit the official website of the Ministry of Health at www.moh.gov.bn or by contacting the Health Advice Line 148 or through the BruHealth App.

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