

PRESS RELEASE

The Ministry of Health and Wellness wishes to inform the public of the following decisions related to:

(i) Regulations on the Redefinition of “Fully vaccinated” and “Booster Dose”

The above mentioned regulations made by the Minister of Health and Wellness under Section 13 of the Quarantine Act 2020 and which was due to come into operation on 15th January 2022 has now been exceptionally extended to the 19th February 2022.

(ii) Eligibility for Pfizer BioNTech Vaccines

As from Monday 17th January 2022, Pfizer BioNTech vaccines will be administered as a **first dose to all unvaccinated Mauritians and residents aged 40 and above.**

The Pfizer BioNTech vaccine is already being administered as a first dose to those aged between 12 and 17 years.

In addition, the Ministry of Health and Wellness is already offering the Pfizer BioNTech vaccine as a booster dose to:

- All those aged 40 and above
- High risk patients

The Ministry of Health and Wellness has also decided to authorise private clinics, duly registered for such purposes, to administer the Pfizer BioNTech vaccine to all eligible categories of persons, as listed above.