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ALL SENIOR CITIZENS AGED OVER 60 ARE URGED TO REGISTER FOR COVID-19 VACCINATION

We would like to take this opportunity and thank all those who have registered for the COVID-19 vaccination, and the multitudes who have come forward to get vaccinated.

As a result of their positive response, the Province of KwaZulu-Natal is doing extremely well and receiving accolades for its successful vaccination campaign, which is meant to save lives, and keep our people safe from this deadly pandemic.

In less than two weeks since Phase 2 of the vaccination process began, we have exceeded targets and inoculated more than 181 948 people aged 60 and over, from the 108 vaccination sites that we have established throughout the province (we will be increasing the number of vaccination sites as more doses become available).

This is in addition to the 120 589 healthcare workers that we have vaccinated, with just 41 553 remaining, since the programme was first launched on 18 February 2021.

Getting vaccinated against COVID – 19 is safe and extremely important, as it helps our bodies develop immunity to the virus that causes COVID-19 without us having to get the illness.

The vaccination roll-out programme has started in earnest in rural areas, and will be intensified.

Younger people who are better at using technology are urged to help the elderly with registration.

WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO COME BACK FOR A SECOND PFIZER VACCINATION DOSE AFTER 42 DAYS

The COVID-19 vaccine developed by Pfizer/BioNTech, which is being used during Phase 2 of the vaccination process, consists of a 2-dose regimen.

Although it was initially said that the interval between the first and second doses should be 21 days, the World Health Organisation and the National Department of Health have said that this can be extended to 42 days – especially if there are challenges with the supply of the vaccine doses.

This 42 – day interval will enable more people to get their first doses of the vaccine, and then the second when more doses become available.

YOU CAN GET REGISTERED FOR VACCINATION BY FOLLOWING THESE STEPS:

Log on to: **https://vaccine.enroll.health.gov.za** or visit the Department's official website: **www.kznhealth.gov.za**;

You can also dial ***134*832*** ID number**#** or;

Use WhatsApp by sending the word **REGISTER** to **0600 123 456.**

Use hot line number **0800 029 999** Choose to register and get vaccinated!!!!