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National Health Mission
Himachal Pradesh

To

All the Chief Medical Officers
In Himachal Pradesh

Dated Shimla-09,the



Subject: - Regarding new second dose schedule (12-16 weeks) the already booked online appointments for 2nd dose shall remain valid

Sir/ Madam

Please find herewith a letter no. D.O. No.1940407/2020/Imm dated 16.05.2021 received from Mr. Vikas Sheel (Copy enclosed) on the above subject cited above regarding Online-onsite appointments will not be possible if the period after 1st Dose date for a beneficiary is less than 84 days. Already booked online appointments for 2nd dose will remain valid and are not being cancelled by COWIN. You are requested to taking further necessary action in the matter accordingly.



Yours faithfully,

N. [Signature]
3/6/21

Mission Director, NHM
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla – 9

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1. The Secretary (Health) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh for information please.
2. All The Deputy Commissioners, Himachal Pradesh for information please.
3. The Director Health Services, Himachal Pradesh for information please.
4. All the District Immunization Officers, in the Himachal Pradesh for information & n/a.
5. The SMO, UNDP, SIHFW Campus, Parimahal, Shimla-9 for information & n/a.
6. The SMO, NPSP Unit Parimahal, Himachal Pradesh.

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D.O. No. 1940407/2020/Imm.
Dated, 16th May 2021

Dear Colleague,

Please refer to the D.O. No. 1940407/2020/Imm., dated 13th May 2021, vide which the recommendations of the NEGVAC and their acceptance, regarding the minimum stipulated period of 12 to 16 weeks after 1st dose, for the 2nd dose of COVISHIELD vaccine was communicated.

Please take note that the requisite changes have now been done in the CoWIN portal. As a result –

1. Further online or on-site appointments will not be possible if the period after 1st dose date for a beneficiary is less than 84 days.
2. **Already booked online appointments for 2nd dose will remain valid** and are not being cancelled by COWIN. Beneficiaries may be advised through suitable IEC that they should reschedule their appointments for a later date beyond the 84th day from the date of 1st dose vaccination.
3. If however, a pre-booked beneficiary chooses to take the 2nd dose of vaccine even if the period for him/her is less than 84 days, COWIN system will allow vaccination of such beneficiaries.

In light of the above, it is reiterated that the online appointments booked for 2nd dose of COVISHIELD prior to this change, must be honoured. The field staff may be instructed that, if such beneficiaries do come for vaccination, **the second dose must be administered and they must not be turned away**. Suitable IEC may also be done in this regard.

warm regards

Yours sincerely


(Vikas Sheel) 16/5/21

To,

Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary, Health–All States/UTs

D.O. No. 1940407/2020/Imm.

Dated, 16th May 2021

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2. PPS to Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, MoHFW
3. PPS to AS&MD, National Health Mission, MoHFW
4. Shri Pankaj Agrawal, Additional Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat.
5. PPS to AS(MA), MoHFW
6. JS(SY)/JS(MKB), MoHFW - for communication to vaccine manufacturers.
7. Mission Director, National Health Mission - All States/UTs
8. Advisor, RCH, Immunization Division, MoHFW



(Vikas Sheel)