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**Scientific Committee on Emerging and Zoonotic Diseases
and
Scientific Committee on Vaccine Preventable Diseases**

**Consensus Interim Recommendations on the
Use of Comirnaty COVID-19 Vaccines in Hong Kong
(As of 16 June 2022)**

On 16 June 2022, the Scientific Committee on Vaccine Preventable Diseases (SCVPD) and the Scientific Committee on Emerging and Zoonotic Diseases (SCEZD) under the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health (JSC) convened a meeting, joined by the Chief Executive's expert advisory panel (EAP), to revisit the interim recommendations related to the use of Comirnaty vaccine in Hong Kong.

2. There is more evidence suggesting a longer dosing interval between the first and second doses of Comirnaty vaccine would result in better immune response and lower risk of myocarditis and/or pericarditis. Taking into account the local context and following World Health Organization's updated recommendation and overseas practices, JSC-EAP recommended the dosing interval between the first and second doses of Comirnaty vaccine be extended from 3 weeks to 8 weeks for individuals aged 18 to 59 years. The dosing interval can be shortened to a minimum of 3 weeks for those with personal needs under informed consent after consideration of individual risk and benefit.



3. For other ages groups (including children, adolescents, and older adults aged 60 years and above) as well as immunocompromised individuals, the vaccination schedule for Comirnaty vaccine remains unchanged.

4. The aforesaid interim recommendations provide updates on previous recommendations regarding the use of Comirnaty vaccine issued on 6 April 2022.

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