



COVID-19 (nCorona) Virus Outbreak Control and Prevention State Cell

Health & Family Welfare Department

Government of Kerala

**INSTRUCTIONS ON COVID-19 VACCINATION OF BEDRIDDEN PATIENTS ABOVE
45 YEARS OF AGE**

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The requests have been received to facilitate vaccination of bedridden patients. In order to ensure uniformity of vaccination to bedridden patient the following guidelines are issued-

1. A list shall be prepared of all bedridden patients above the age of 45 years registered in each health facility and whether they are ready for COVID-19 vaccination. In addition, consent must be obtained for each patient to be vaccinated. The participation of the people involved in the daily home care program should be ensured.
2. The participation of voluntary organizations (NGOs / CBOs) within the local government limits shall be ensured.
3. FHC, PHC staff may seek the help of the staff in CHC and Taluk hospitals for delivery of vaccination services.
4. Vaccination shall not be administered by employees who do not have government recognized nursing qualification (must have passed ANM / JPHN course or GNM / BSC nursing course from a recognized institution of the Department of Health). However, vaccination activities shall be planned under the leadership of a community nurse serving within the local government.
5. COVID protocol and PPE measures shall be adopted by all vaccination team members. The patient shall be observed for half an hour after the vaccine is given.
6. Ensure the services of doctors from Government of Private Hospital for advice in case of any kind of emergency on the days of vaccination. In addition, telemedicine / e-sanjeevani systems operating at the government level shall be utilized.
7. All other protocol for vaccination shall be followed up properly.
8. The 24-hour toll free number of DISHA- 1056, 0471 2551056 under the State Government will be useful for patients.


Principal Secretary