

Co-WIN Updates
Precaution dose vaccination of Health Care Workers, Frontline Workers and citizens aged 60 years and more

S. No.	Aspect/activity	Details
1	Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All 60+ Citizens (with co-morbidities and on medical advice), all HCWs and all FLWs are eligible, provided – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Completed 39 week after 2nd dose. • Eligible for only same vaccine as the 1st and 2nd dose. • Only those HCW & FLWs who have taken 2 doses from citizen category and not tagged as HCW/FLW on Co-WIN need to visit Government CVCs along with employment certificate in order to get themselves tagged in appropriate category before taking precaution dose after prescribed time interval. (See para 8)
2	Registration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No new registration is required for precaution dose. • Even for citizens/HCWs/FLWs who have taken 2 doses on different registrations (and hence have 2 first dose certificates) fresh registration is not required and should not be done. This issue is also being addressed. Subsequent updates will be provided. • Any vaccine dose administration for any fresh registration is treated as first dose for that registration. • Vaccinator must locate the beneficiary record by searching on either <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Beneficiary Reference ID (available in appointment slip and in vaccination certificate) b) ID card used for vaccination c) mobile number
3	Planning and publication of Vaccination Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Admins and Site managers can create vaccination sessions with precaution dose slots in Co-WIN from 8th January 2022. Functionality is already live.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For new sessions being created from 8th January 2022 - The district admins (i.e. DIOs) and site managers (for private hospitals) can specify the online and on-spot slots for precaution dose, along with 1st and 2nd dose slots for COVAXIN and COVISHIELD only.• For existing sessions already published on or before 8th January 2022 –<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Session capacities are being increased by 20% for precaution dose from back end. (Will be on prod on 08/01/22)○ No need to cancel/reschedule already published sessions.○ Sessions can be edited to increase various types of capacities, including for precaution dose.• Flexibility is available for planning exclusive sessions for precaution dose by keeping the slots for 1st and 2nd dose at minimum. However, 2 parallel sessions for the same vaccine at the same CVC are not allowed.• Once, the sessions are published by the district admins and site managers, the published precaution dose slots will be visible to the beneficiaries (HCWs, FLWs and citizens aged 60+) eligible for precaution dose for online booking.• The slots for precaution dose will be visible to eligible beneficiary groups after completion of 9 months (39 weeks) after the date of second dose.• At present the feature for precaution dose is being enabled only for COVAXIN and COVISHIELD. Therefore, the option to publish slots for precaution dose will be visible for only those sessions where these two vaccines have been selected by district admin and site managers at time of session creation.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ For SPUTNIK V, the vaccine for precaution dose is being decided. Hence, such beneficiaries will have to wait. Once there is clarity on technical aspect, provision will be made live.
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4	Mobilization and communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The reminder SMS for precaution dose for those who have completed 9 months (39 weeks) after 2nd dose will be sent from 8th January 2022, onwards. ● The list of eligible beneficiaries due for precaution dose has been made available for download in district admin and site manager login. This list should be used for follow up with eligible beneficiaries apart from the SMS being sent from Co-WIN. ● For precaution dose, separate queue with proper & prominent signages and separate vaccination teams may be used for the vaccination of eligible beneficiaries, wherever necessary. ● It is advised that District Admins and Site managers to create and publish sufficiently long advance schedule of vaccination sessions, preferably for at least 15 days at any given point of time, with sufficient capacities for precaution dose on Co-WIN, for providing sufficient & advance visibility of vaccination slots.
5	Appointments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Beneficiaries will be able to book online appointments for precaution dose from 8th January 2022 based on the vaccination schedules populated by the District Admins and Site Managers. ● On-site/ walk-in appointments will also be possible from 10th January 2022 when this vaccination starts. Sufficient publicity may be accorded for the same. ● Validations on vaccine type, duration after 2nd dose, age, beneficiary type etc. are in place on Co-WIN.
6	Verification, vaccination, Certification, AEFI & VURs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The vaccinator, at the time of verification, for citizens 60+ will confirm and record in the vaccinator module the following – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Whether the beneficiary has any co-morbidity? (Yes/No/Don't Know)

		<p>2. Whether beneficiary has taken medical advice and the advice is to take precaution dose? (Yes/No)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The responses must be filled based on information provided by the beneficiary and in no case any certificate etc. is to be insisted upon. • The Co-WIN processes for vaccination & certification, AEFI reporting and VURs, would remain same as per existing functionality. • Like for 2nd dose vaccination, the option to add beneficiary on spot for precaution dose will also be available in the vaccinators log in. • It may be noted that the precaution dose must be of the same vaccine which has been given at time of 1st and 2nd dose. • While it is advised that the citizens aged 60 years or more need to take precaution dose after medical advice, there is no need to produce a co-morbidity certificate at time of vaccination for precaution dose. Also, production or upload of any co-morbidity certificate or medical advice papers is not required. • For outreach sessions where connectivity is not there, due list downloaded from Co-WIN must be used for vaccination to avoid errors in vaccination and data entry.
7	Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The suitable reports on vaccination coverage of precaution dose would be available on Co-WIN Report module from 10th January 2022.
8	Tagging of HCWs/FLWs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There might be cases wherein some of the HCWs and FLWs may have registered as citizens in Co-WIN for availing vaccination. Such beneficiaries are not HCWs/FLWs in the Co-WIN system. Hence, the system will deem them ineligible if they are in the age group of 59 years or less. • To facilitate access to precaution dose for such HCWs/FLWs, a feature for tagging such beneficiaries as HCWs/FLWs is being provided in Co-WIN. (Will be live on 09/01/22) • Tagging facility will only be available at Government CVCs. However, HCWs/FLWs

		<p>can avail vaccination at government or private CVC as per their choice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Such beneficiaries can also avail the precaution dose only after they are tagged as HCW/FLW by the vaccinator in Co-WIN. • Such beneficiaries must produce the employment certificate, as prescribed in the GoI guidelines, for tagging as HCW/FLW. • It is the responsibility of the vaccination team to verify and establish that a beneficiary earlier registered as citizen in Co-WIN is a HCW/FLW before tagging them.
9	Upcoming features in vaccinator module (after the precaution dose release)	
9 (A)	Verification of infection in past 3 months	<p>Following questions will be asked by the vaccinator-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Whether the beneficiary has had COVID-19 infection during the last 3 months? 2. And, if yes, the date of recovery. <p>If the answer to Q1 is yes, the person must be advised to come for his/her precaution dose after the 3 month period from recovery is complete.</p>
9(B)	Merger of 2 1 st dose records at the time of precaution dose	Process flow is being finalised and will be shared once finalised.
10	Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The orientation sensitization training for State/District officials on above features of Co-WIN for vaccination of Children is conducted by Co-WIN Team on 8th January 2022. You are requested to kindly disseminate the same to all field level staff and adequate publicity on same may also be provided to all concerned.
11	<p>Suggestions received in VC on 08/01/22 –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Display of AEFI status and beneficiary type in vaccinator module – scheduled list • Display of beneficiary type (HCW/FLW/Citizen) in Scheduled list. 	