

**Decisions taken by the Communicable Diseases High Committee convened on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022 within the scope of the 45/2018 Communicable Diseases Law**

- Criminal proceedings will be launched in accordance with Article 43 (6) of the Communicable Diseases Law 45/2018 in the case of non-compliance with the rules decided by the Communicable Diseases High Committee and listed below.
- The rules to be implemented will be overseen by the District Police Boards, municipalities and the Police General Directorate.

**WEEKLY COVID-19 DATA TABLES (16.02.2022)**

<b>COMPARISON TABLE</b>			
	<b>08.02.2022</b>	<b>15.02.2022</b>	<b>Change</b>
Total number of cases	3.532	4,177	<b>-10.05%</b>
Number of local cases	3.532	4,177	<b>-10.05%</b>
Cases from abroad	0	0	<b>100.00%</b>
Number of cases per 100,000	924.61	831,68	<b>-10.05%</b>
Local cases per 100,000	924.61	831,68	<b>-10.05%</b>
Number of tests	100.702	131.719	<b>30,80%</b>
Test positivity rate	3,51%	2,41%	<b>-31.34%</b>
Being treated in hospital	61	40	<b>-34.43%</b>
Being treated in intensive care	9	6	<b>-33,33%</b>
Intensive care rate	0.19%	0.14%	<b>-26,32%</b>
Number of active cases	4,766	4,286	<b>-10,07%</b>
Number of cases who passed away	8	2	<b>-75,00%</b>

<b>AVERAGE NUMBER OF DAILY CASES PER 100,000 BY DISTRICT</b>			
	<b>08.02.2022</b>	<b>15.02.2022</b>	<b>Change</b>
TRNCGENERAL	131,8	118,6	<b>-10,02%</b>
LEFKOŞA	182,1	149,1	<b>-18,12%</b>
GAZİMAGUSA	128,7	116,7	<b>-9,32%</b>
GİRNE	95,7	97,3	<b>1,67%</b>
ISKELE	85,3	99,1	<b>16,18%</b>
GUZELYURT	114,9	91,1	<b>-20,71%</b>
LEFKE	67,0	85,3	<b>27,31</b>

## DECISIONS

### ENTRY TO THE COUNTRY

#### 1. A) RULES TO BE APPLIED ACCORDING TO COUNTRIES

- **VACCINATED or HA VE HAD THE DISEASE;**

- ✓ Pre-departure negative PCR result from the last 72 hours **or negative Antigen result from the last 24 hours.**
- ✓ Quarantine-free entry

- **UNVACCINATED;**

- ✓ Pre-departure negative PCR result from the last 72 hours **or negative Antigen result from the last 24 hours.**
- ✓ **5 days quarantine.**
- ✓ Covid-19 test to be performed at the end of quarantine.

#### B) GENERAL RULES:

- **VACCINATED PEOPLE:** Who have completed the vaccination programme. From 14 days after the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of the vaccines specified below and the 1<sup>st</sup> dose of COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen / Johnson and Johnson.
  - SINOVAC: 2 DOSES
  - BIONTECH: 2 DOSES
  - SINOPHARM: 2 DOSES
  - COMIRNATY (Pfizer/Biontech): 2 DOSES
  - VAXZEVRIA (Astrazeneca/Oxford): 2 DOSES
  - COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen / Johnson and Johnson: 1 DOSE
  - SPUTNIK V: 2 DOSES o MODERNA: 2 DOSES
  - NOVAVAX: 2 DOSES
  - COVISHIELD (Astrazeneca/Oxford): 2 DOSES
  - COVAXIN: 2 DOSES
  - CANSINOBIO: 2 DOSES
- People will also be considered vaccinated if they receive two different doses of the vaccines specified above.
- People who have had the Covid-19 disease and received 1 dose of vaccine will be considered as vaccinated.
- People who have had the disease: Submit a positive PCR test result taken up to 180 days prior to travel. These people will be evaluated as vaccinated people.
- Children under the age of 18 will be able to enter the country with parents who are vaccinated or who have had the disease as stated above based on the category of the country they have travelled from and in accordance with the PCR test rules (children who are 6 years old and over).
- Passengers will be evaluated based on the country that is in the highest risk group among the countries they have set foot in/ been in, in the last 10 days.
- People who have not had their booster dose as specified in point 5 below will be considered as vaccinated people when entering the country. However, these people will be considered as unvaccinated in the country and will be classed as unvaccinated during the Adapass check in point 5.

## C) RULES OF ENTRY TO THE COUNTRY FROM 01.03.2022 ONWARDS

- According to the definition of vaccinated people above (in I.B), people for whom 14 days have passed and 270 days (9 months) have not passed since their second dose (single dose for Johnson & Johnson) will be considered fully vaccinated and will be able to enter the country without presenting a PCR/antigen test.
  - People for whom 270 days (9 months) have passed since their second dose (single dose for Johnson & Johnson) and who have had their booster dose will be able to enter the country without presenting a PCR/antigen test.
  - Unvaccinated persons who do not comply with the definition of the vaccinated above will be able to enter the country without quarantine with the last 72 hours of negative PCR / the last 24 hours of negative antigen test. These people will repeat the PCR tests within 72-120 hours of their entry into the country.
2. Everyone entering the TRNC by air-sea routes and from outside the island by using the land border gates must create a Digital Travel Document within the last 72 hours before travel from the Giivende Kal (Stay Safe) application or the TRNC entry form section of the [www.guvendekalkkktc.com](http://www.guvendekalkkktc.com) website.

### To create a digital travel document:

- Those with a smart device must download the Giivende Kal (Stay Safe) application from Apple Store or Android Market to their smart devices and create a Digital Travel Document from the "TRNC Entry Form" step of the application.
- Those without a smart device must fill in the Digital Travel Document from the [www.guvendekalkkktc.com](http://www.guvendekalkkktc.com) address. They must keep the completed form with them digitally or as a printout.

People who have to enter quarantine according to the country entry rules must create a Digital Travel Document from the "Wristband Transactions" step of the Giivende Kal (Stay Safe) application. This does not apply to **people under the age of 12-**

People who do not need to enter quarantine are required to create a Digital Travel Document from the "TRNC Entry Form" step of the Giivende Kal (Stay Safe) application". People **aged between 6 and 12** are also required to create a Digital Travel Document from this section.

People who will enter quarantine will go to their stipulated address of residence, with their own vehicles either alone or accompanied by a driver. People who do not comply with the quarantine rules at their address of residence will be sent to central quarantine and will pay the quarantine fees themselves. Wristbands are not fitted to people under 12 years of age for the purpose of quarantine.

When creating their Digital Travel Document, people who will enter the country are required to save their vaccination documents and pre-departure negative PCR test results obtained within the last 72 hours by using the cameras of their devices to scan the QR code on the vaccination documents and PCR test results with the QR reader in the application.

It will not be possible for passengers who do not fill in the "TRNC Entry Form" from the Giivende Kal (Stay Safe) application or the [www.guvendekalkkktc.com](http://www.guvendekalkkktc.com) website and do not create a Digital Travel

Document QR code to enter the TRNC.

Within the Digital Travel Document, citizens of the Republic of Turkey can automatically upload their digital vaccination documents and PCR test results into the form by entering their HES codes.

**INLAND BORDER CROSSING RULES**

3. Based on the results of the epidemiological assessment within the island, "LEVEL 3" rules will be applied at the crossings. According to this;

**A) A negative PCR/Antigen test will be required once every seven days for:**

- People fully vaccinated with Comirnaty (Pfizer/BioNTech), Vaxzevria (Astrazeneca) and Moderna vaccines as of 14 days after their second dose. People whose last dose was less than 7 months ago or who have had their booster dose if 7 months have passed.
- People fully vaccinated with Sinovac, Sinopharm, Sputnik and Johnson & Johnson vaccines as of 14 days after their 2nd dose (1st dose for Johnson & Johnson). People whose last dose was less than 3 months ago or who have had their booster dose if 3 months have passed.
- Unvaccinated high-school students (secondary and high school students), children aged between 5 and 11 years old, and people residing in Kato Pyrgos.

**B) A 72-hour negative PCR or 48-hour negative antigen test is required for**

- People who have not been vaccinated at all
- People aged 12 years and above who have not received a booster dose when due

**ADA (ISLAND) PASS CHECK**

**4. THE VACCINE AND PCR CRITERIA OF PEOPLE WHO WILL ENTER VENUES/ SECTORS/ ACTIVITIES/ EVENTS TO BE CHECKED WITH THE ADAPASS SYSTEM ARE STATED IN THE TABLE BELOW.**

✓ VACCINATED: NO TEST UNVACCINATED: LAST 72 HOURS PCR / LAST 48 HOURS	✓ VACCINATED: NO TEST UNVACCINATED: NO ENTRY	
AdaPassTIER 1	AdaPassTIER II	
<i>SUPERMARKETS/MARKETS</i>	<i>CASINOS</i>	<i>INDOOR AREAS OF COFFEE SHOPS/COFFEEHOUSES</i>
<i>STATE OFFICES</i>	<i>BARS/CLUBS</i>	<i>CINEMAS</i>
<i>RETAIL STORES</i>	<i>INDOOR FITNESS HALLS</i>	<i>GENERAL ASSEMBLY</i>
<i>BANKS</i>	<i>STADIUMS</i>	<i>CONGRESSES/RALLIES</i>
<i>OUTDOOR TEAM SPORTS</i>	<i>INDOOR TEAM SPORTS</i>	<i>YOUTH CAMPS</i>
	<i>BOXING /WRESTLING</i>	<i>BETTING SHOPS</i>
	<i>GROUP DANCES /</i>	<i>SHOPPING CENTRES</i>
	<i>SWIMMING POOLS</i>	<i>INTERNET CAFES</i>
	<i>HOTELS</i>	<i>BARBER</i>
	<i>NIGHTCLUBS</i>	<i>SHOPS/HAIRDRESSERS</i>
	<i>CONCERTS / THEATRES</i>	<i>PLACES OF WORSHIP</i>
	<i>WEDDINGS (WITH FOOD-)</i>	<i>OFFICES</i>
	<i>INDOOR AREAS OF</i>	<i>EXHIBITIONS</i>
	<i>RESTAURANTS TAVERNS</i>	

- ✓ People who have not had at least two doses of vaccine (single dose for Johnson & Johnson) are prohibited from entering indoor areas. In addition, even people who have had a double dose (single dose for Johnson & Johnson) but have not had a booster dose will only be able to enter supermarkets/markets, state offices, retail stores, outdoor team sports and banks with a negative PCR test from the last 72 hours or a negative antigen test from the last 48 hours.
- ✓ The Adapass check is mandatory for those aged 12 and above and should be done with an ID card. The Adapass check can be done with an Adapass card, vaccine card and test result document for the 12-18 age group.

There must be a responsible person at the entrances of the venues/activities/sectors/events specified above with the aim of actively performing Adapass checks

- People who have had the: VAXZEVRIA (Astrazeneca/Oxford) MODERNA

COMIRNATY (Pfizer/Biontech)

vaccines and 6 months have passed since their 2nd dose;

CORONAVAC (Sinovac) vaccine and 3 months have passed since their 2nd dose;

COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen / Johnson and Johnson vaccine and 3 months have passed;

will be regarded as unvaccinated people **within the country** and have their Adapasses cancelled if they do not have their 3rd dose vaccines.

Note: People who have had the disease will continue to be regarded as vaccinated for up to 90 days.

5. People working in the sectors operating in our country and listed below will repeat their antigen tests once every 7 days if they are vaccinated and once every 72 hours if they are not vaccinated.

**TABLE: TESTS THAT SECTOR WORKERS MUST HAVE**

<b>ANTIGEN TEST (VACCINATED: ONCE EVERY 7 DAYS) (UNVACCINATED: ONCE EVERY 72 HOURS)</b>	
<i>HOTEL STAFF</i>	<i>MARKETS/STORE STAFF AND SUPPLIERS</i>
<i>CASINO STAFF</i>	<i>BARBER / HAIRDRESSER/BEAUTY PARLOUR/TAILOR/SHOP STAFF</i>
<i>MUSICIANS</i>	<i>RESTAURANT STAFF</i>
<i>BAR/CLUB STAFF</i>	<i>CAFE STAFF</i>
<i>CINEMA STAFF</i>	<i>TAVERN STAFF</i>
<i>THOSE WHO DO TEAM SPORTS</i>	<i>PATISSERIE STAFF</i>
<i>THOSE WHO DO SWIMMING SPORTS</i>	<i>COFFEE SHOP / COFFEE HOUSE STAFF</i>
<i>INDOOR SPORTS HALL STAFF</i>	<i>BANK STAFF</i>
<i>INDOOR CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA STAFF</i>	<i>PUBLIC SECTOR WORKERS</i>
<i>ENTERTAINMENT/CONCERTS AND SIMILAR EVENT STAFF</i>	<i>OFFICE WORKERS</i>
<i>NIGHTCLUB STAFF</i>	<i>INTERNET CAFE STAFF</i>
<i>CARE HOME STAFF</i>	<i>BETTING SHOP STAFF</i>
<i>SEA / CRUISE BOAT WORKERS</i>	<i>BOXING, WRESTLING, CLOSE</i>
<i>THOSE WHO STAY IN WORKER ACCOMMODATION/LODGINGS</i>	<i>BEACH/POOL STAFF</i>
<i>PRODUCTION / FACTORY STAFF</i>	<i>SCHOOL/SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTRE</i>
<i>PUBLIC TRANSPORT STAFF</i>	
<i>STAFF AT PLACES OF WORSHIP</i>	

6. With the proposal of the Laboratory Committee, the Covid-19 tests used in our country (PCR/antigen tests) must have CE-IVD certificates.
7. People will be able to perform a "Self-Test" antigen test, which they can obtain from chemists. However, these tests will not be entered into the Adapass system and will not be used for Adapass purposes. If the self-test is positive, they are required to send the result to the phone number 0539 117 5223 via WhatsApp. The name, surname, identity number and image of the test result (photo of the test (cassette) where a double line visible) should be sent as a message via WhatsApp application.
8. One person per 3m<sup>2</sup> will be allowed in indoor areas and one person per 2m<sup>2</sup> in outdoor areas in all businesses. Hygiene and disinfection conditions must be applied both inside the workplace and at entrances and exits. It is the responsibility of the workplace to take and implement these measures. It is mandatory to wear masks and comply with the social distance rule in all indoor and outdoor areas.
  - People in internet cafes will be able to use the computers for a maximum of two hours.
  - Cinemas, indoor concerts and theatre halls will serve at half capacity and food will not be served.
  - Food will not be served in betting shops.
9. People visiting care homes for the elderly must submit a negative Covid-19 test result from the last 24 hours.
10. Fully vaccinated people (two doses for Jansen, three doses for the others) who have been in contact with a Covid-19 positive person will continue with their daily lives by wearing a mask and monitoring their symptoms. These people will have an antigen test done on the 5<sup>th</sup> day if they have no symptoms.

People whose vaccinations are incomplete or who are unvaccinated will isolate for 7 days and have an antigen test done at the end of the 7<sup>th</sup> day. If the result is negative, their isolation will end.

In both of the above circumstances, people will have PCR tests done earlier if they show symptoms before the specified time periods. If they are positive, the positive patient follow-up processes will begin.

11. Covid-19 positive people will be able to spend their quarantine period at their home with a wristband according to the conditions set out in Annex 1, if it is deemed appropriate. **Official documents will not be issued by the Ministry of Health to Covid-19 positive people who do not have any records on the Pandemic Information System.**

## PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION RULES

12. When the studies and guides are examined, it is deemed appropriate to open the special education, pre-school, primary and secondary education 2021-2022 Academic Year on a fulltime basis within the scope of the measures listed below.

Each school is responsible for setting up a "School Pandemic Committee". This committee will work in coordination with the Ministry of Health and will consist of at least 2 people. (2 people for up to 250 students, and +1 person for every 250-plus students.) The contact details of the responsible person of the committee formed should be forwarded to the Ministry of Health.

The Communicable Diseases High Committee will hold meetings with Pandemic Committee representatives

determined by the National Education and Culture Ministry to assess the situation at least once a month.

#### **A) Transportation**

- Students, drivers and supervisors will wear masks on school buses.
- Hand sanitiser will be available at the entrance to school buses.
- Supervisors on school buses will ask students about symptoms. Students with symptoms such as a fever, sore throat, cough, etc., will not be allowed on the bus.
- School pandemic committees will be responsible for the disinfection of transport vehicles and the follow-up and inspection of other transport-related measures.
- Students who are taken to school buses will be seated in the same seat every day.
- Transportation companies and pandemic committees will be responsible for implementing these rules

#### **B) Mask**

- It is mandatory for all school staff (including transport staff) to wear masks.
- Students aged 6 and over will be required to wear masks. It is recommended that students aged 2-6 wear masks in the classroom and in indoor areas.
- Training on the use of masks will be provided by the School Pandemic Committees.
- Students who wear fabric masks are required to wash their masks every day.

#### **C) Entry-Exit**

- Attendants will be determined by the school management or the School Pandemic Committees to avoid congestion at school entrances and exits. Entry and exit will be provided by observing social distance.

#### **D) The classroom**

- Those who work in the classroom and students aged 6 and over are required to wear a mask. It is recommended that pupils aged between 2-6 wear a mask.
- Social distancing must be maintained as much as possible in the classroom (particularly in classes for pupils aged between 2-6).
- Classrooms must be ventilated and disinfection rules must be followed.
- Classroom teachers will ask students about symptoms such as a fever, cough, sore throat, etc. at the classroom entrance. Students with symptoms will be sent home.

#### **E) Disinfection**

- Training on hand disinfection will be provided by School Pandemic Committees.
- Hand sanitiser should be placed in areas deemed appropriate by the school administration (canteen, dining hall, etc.).
- The disinfection procedures specified in the booklet prepared by the Ministry of National Education and Culture must be followed.
- Disinfection within the school will be inspected by the School Pandemic Committees.

#### **F) Break times**

- Classes should take turns for breaks in order to prevent crowding during break times.
- The necessary arrangements should be made by the school administration in order to prevent crowding in the canteens.
- Classes should rotate their meal times in order to prevent crowding in the dining halls.



### **G) Common Use Areas**

- Toilets in the school will be disinfected frequently.
- Masks will always be worn in the teachers' room, which is used as a common use area, and the social distance rule will be observed.
- The teachers' room, which is used as a common area, needs to be ventilated and disinfected frequently.
- School Pandemic Committees will be responsible for the supervision of common areas within the school.

### **H) Events**

- If there is any collective activity in a school, mask and social distance rules will be observed. These activities will be carried out by minimising the interaction between classes.

### **I) Illness**

- Parents should be warned not to send children with symptoms such as a cough, loss of taste and smell, sore throat, etc., to school.

### **J) Covid-19 Positive Patient and Contact**

- The follow-up of Covid-19 positive patients and contacts will be managed in consultation with the School Pandemic Committees established in each school and the Ministry of Health contact team.

### **K) Tests**

- People working at schools will repeat their antigen tests once every 7 days if they are vaccinated (for screening purposes), and once every 72 hours if they are unvaccinated.
- Screening tests are not mandatory for pre-school students. However, an antigen test will be requested from a parent who lives in the same home as these students once every 7 days if they are vaccinated, and once every 72 hours if they are not vaccinated.
- Primary education (from the 1<sup>st</sup> grade up to the 5<sup>th</sup> grade) students can repeat antigen tests once every 7 days. However, if these students are unable to do so, an antigen test will be requested from a parent who lives in the same home once every 7 days if they are vaccinated, and once every 72 hours if they are not vaccinated.
- Students from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade onwards (6<sup>th</sup> grade included) will repeat their antigen tests once every 7 days.
- Random tests will be conducted by the Ministry of Health on school staff and students.

Pandemic rules will be applied in workplaces where vocational education students undertake internships. Tests will be also be in this context. This will also apply to apprentices.

13. Practices relating to higher education are being maintained in communication with the School Pandemic Committees formed within the universities. Students coming from abroad will be able to enter based on the specified country criteria.
14. It has been deemed appropriate to conduct national/international exams to be held in our country under the conditions stated below:
  - Examinees and invigilators must have negative antigen tests from within the last 7 days if they are vaccinated and from within the last 48 hours if they are unvaccinated.

- Doors and windows must be kept open at all times in order to ventilate the exam area,
- Those entering the exam area must use personal protective equipment during the exam,
- Desks in the exam area must be arranged to comply with social distancing rules
- Disinfectant must be placed at the entrance to the exam area.

#### 15. Schools' Positive Case and Contact Protocol

- Symptoms must be checked before leaving home, boarding a bus and entering school. Those who show symptoms (teachers, workers or students) will be not be allowed into schools. They will be directed to take a test.
- If a student in the class shows symptoms, the student will be directed to take a test. If their test result is negative, they will return to school.
- If the student's test result is positive; Contacts are sent home to have their PCR test on the same day if possible, if not the next day, and to be isolated at home until the test result is obtained. The school pandemic board will forward the class list to their contact team.
- If the PCR tests of 3 or more people from the same class are positive as a result of the screening in the classroom, the rest of the class will be isolated at home for 7 days. Students will continue with their education in the form of distance education for the period they are contacts. During this process, the Ministry of Health's CONTACT TRACKING UNIT decides on people's isolation status and reports it to the school administration or the school pandemic committee.
- If at the end of the screening fewer than 3 people in the class have a positive PCR, the positive people and the contacts determined by the Contact Tracking Unit will be sent to isolation and the rest of the class will continue their education at school by wearing masks and not coming into contact with other classes.
- As for students who are positive; a control PCR will be conducted on them on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of home monitoring. If the test result is negative home quarantine is terminated. If the test result is positive, the patient's quarantine period will be terminated on the 10<sup>th</sup> day.
- If the positive person experiences shortness of breath, chest pains or an increase in existing symptoms (fever, coughing, fatigue, headache, etc) at home they must call the doctor's number given to them from the number 0533 878 1030 and provide information.
- If a teacher's PCR test is positive, the contacts determined by the Contact Tracking Unit will be directed to take a Covid-19 test.

## TRANSPORTATION

16. Passengers will not be allowed to sit next to the drivers of buses, minibuses, taxis with "T permits", touristic minibuses and permitted similar public transport vehicles. In buses, shared taxis and minibuses, passengers will be transported with a seating arrangement that leaves the seat behind the driver's seat empty.

Vaccinated people (including those who have had their first dose but whose time for their second dose has not yet come) aged 12 and over who use public transport will present their Adapass/vaccine card before travelling. Unvaccinated people will present a PCR test from the last 72 hours/ antigen test from the last 48 hours.

Vehicles must be ventilated during and after journeys. The driver and passengers in the vehicle will wear masks. Vehicles will be disinfected after each journey.

17. It has been deemed necessary to accept passengers on sea journeys to our country with a maximum of 4 journeys per day and 350 people (excluding soldiers) per journey.

Truck drivers entering the country from our ports (Girne and Gazimagusa) for the shipment of goods will submit a negative PCR test they have had done in the last 72 hours or a negative antigen test from the last 48 hours.

18. If the test period of double-vaccinated flight crew members on duty on planes who come to our country by air exceeds 72 hours, then they will be able to enter on the condition that their antigen tests to be performed at the airport are negative.

## **OTHER RULES**

19. If engagements, weddings, wedding ceremonies, circumcision ceremonies, and pre-wedding parties are held indoors then guests will be accepted so that there is one person per 3m<sup>2</sup>. Unvaccinated people will not be admitted to weddings that have food/cocktails.

- All those attending the ceremonies will have PCR tests within 48 hours or antigen tests within 24 hours beforehand.
- Masks will be worn at the ceremonies and parties, seating will be arranged by observing the social distancing rule, there will be no congratulations, and jewellery - money will be deposited into a chest. Close-distance games, dances and 'halay' dances that would breach social distancing will not be performed.

20. Worker accommodation must be places that are socially distanced and well-ventilated within the scope of pandemic rules. Maximum attention must be paid to social distancing and hygiene rules in communal areas. Workers staying in worker accommodation will repeat their antigen tests once every 14 days.

21. People who will enter our country for IVF treatment will be dealt with according the entry criteria stated in Point 1 and Point 2. People who are planning to go from quarantine hotels to IVF centres for treatment will be taken from the quarantine hotel for 3-4 hours with negative PCR test results from the last 72 hours or negative antigen test results from the last 48 hours, and then taken back to the quarantine hotel after treatment. The responsibility for the person taken from the quarantine hotel will belong entirely to the Responsible Manager of the IVF Centre. The letter of undertaking prepared for each person to be taken from the quarantine hotels to the IVF centre will be signed by the Responsible Manager and these forms will be submitted to the Ministry of Health Coordination Board when applying for a treatment permit.

22. It is recommended that home visits are avoided as much as possible. It is forbidden for more than 10 people to gather together. Those who gather together need to have a negative PCR test from within the last 72 hours or a negative antigen test from the last 24 hours. If demonstrations, rallies and similar events are held in indoor areas then people will be admitted so that there is one person per 3m<sup>2</sup>. Unvaccinated people will have to submit a negative PCR test from within the last 72 hours or a negative antigen test from within the last 48 hours, and masks will be mandatory. If there will be food/cocktails at the events to be organised, then people will submit a negative PCR

test from within the last 72 hours or a negative antigen test from within the last 48 hours, regardless of whether or not a person has been vaccinated. At events to be held in outdoor areas, social distancing will be observed and masks will be mandatory.

23. Following the detection of the Omicron variant in our country, the "Vaccination Scheme" has been reassessed by our Committee and updated as below.

**A) Covid-19 Vaccination Scheme (Age 12 and Above)**

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Dose</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Dose</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Dose</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Dose</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Dose</b>
<b>SINOVAC</b>	<b>SINOVAC (1 month after the 1<sup>st</sup> dose)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3 months after the dose)*</b>	<b>BIONTECH (1-3 months after 3<sup>rd</sup> dose)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3 months after the 4<sup>th</sup> dose)</b>
<b>SINOVAC</b>	<b>SINOVAC (1 month after the 1<sup>st</sup> dose)</b>	<b>SINOVAC (3 months after the 2<sup>nd</sup> dose)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3 months after the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose)</b> <i>** SINOVAC if there is no mRNA vaccine</i>	<b>BIONTECH (3 months after the 4<sup>th</sup> dose)</b>
<b>BIONTECH</b>	<b>BIONTECH (1 month later)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3-6 months later)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3 months after the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose * People aged 65 and over * health workers)</b>	
<b>MODERNA</b>	<b>MODERNA</b>	<b>MODERNA/BIONTECH (3-6 months later)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3 months after the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose * People aged 65 and over * health workers)</b>	
<b>JOHNSON</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3 months later)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (1-3 months later)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3 months after the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose * People aged 65 and over * health workers)</b>	
<b>ASTRAZENECA</b>	<b>ASTRAZENECA (1 month later)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3-6 months later)</b>	<b>BIONTECH (3 months after the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose * People aged 65 and over * health workers)</b>	

**B) The Vaccination Scheme for Those Who  
Have Had the Covid-19 Disease -1**

\*\* People who have had the Covid-19 disease **BEFORE COMPLETING THE VACCINATION SCHEME OR WHO HAVE NEVER BEEN VACCINATED** should start vaccinating 1 month after the date they became negative.

<b>1st Dose 1 month after the date of becoming negative</b>	<b>2nd Dose 2 months after the date of becoming negative</b>	<b>3rd Dose 5 months after the date of becoming negative</b>
BIONTECH (RECOMMENDED)	BIONTECH (RECOMMENDED)	-
SINOVAC	SINOVAC	SINOVAC
ASTRAZENECA	ASTRAZENECA	-
MODERNA	MODERNA	-

**C) The Vaccination Scheme for Those Who  
Have Had the Covid-19 Disease - 2**

\*\* People who have had the Covid-19 disease **DESPITE BEING FULLY VACCINATED** should start vaccinating 3 months after the date they became negative.

<b>VACCINATION BEFORE BECOMING ILL</b>	<b>3rd DOSE</b>	<b>4th DOSE</b>	<b>5th DOSE</b>
2 DOSES SINOVAC	BIONTECH <b>(3 months after becoming negative)</b>	BIONTECH <b>(3 months after 3<sup>rd</sup> dose)</b>	
2 DOSES BIONTECH	BIONTECH <b>(3 months after becoming negative)</b>		
1 DOSE JOHNSON & JOHNSON	BIONTECH <b>(3 months after becoming negative)</b>	BIONTECH <b>(3 months after 3<sup>rd</sup> dose)</b>	
2 DOSES MODERNA	BIONTECH <b>(3 months after becoming negative)</b>		
2 DOSES ASTRAZENECA	BIONTECH <b>(3 months after becoming negative)</b>		
2 DOSES SINOVAC	SINOVAC <b>(3 months after becoming negative)</b>	SINOVAC <b>(4 months after becoming negative)</b>	SINOVAC <b>(7 months after becoming negative)</b>

**D) THE VACCINATION PROCESS IS CONTINUING FOR THE 5-11 AGE GROUP**

**Annex 1 HOME ISOLATION OF COVID-19 POSITIV**

**PATIENTS Required home conditions**

- 1- For home quarantine to be applied to positive people, there must be a separate room in a way that there will be no contact with other individuals in the home (house, dormitory, lodgings, etc). If the same bath and toilet is used in the home then these places are disinfected after each use. Disinfection is done with bleach diluted to a rate of 1%. (1 small tea cup of bleach placed into 10 litres of water.)
- 2- A Covid-19 positive person placed in home quarantine will be monitored with a wristband. They cannot leave the home during quarantine (they can only leave in the case of an emergency, with the knowledge of the quarantine centre).
- 3- Absolutely no visitors are allowed into a home where a Covid-19 positive person has been placed in quarantine.

**How the Process Works**

- 1- The isolation process of a person starts after the message that their Covid-19 PCR test result is positive (Day 0).
- 2- It is important not to go to another test centre to repeat the test in order not to increase transmission.
- 3- The isolation period is 7 days. A control PCR test will be conducted on patients at the end of the seventh day. If the test result is positive, the quarantine period of patients is terminated in 10 days.
- 4- If the positive person experiences shortness of breath, chest pains and an increase in existing symptoms (fever, coughing, fatigue, headache, etc) at home they must call the doctor's number given to them and provide information.

**Note:** If a Covid-19 positive person has entered quarantine with a carer because they are a child or in need of care, or for a similar reason, when the patient's test turns negative vaccinated carers can continue with their daily lives by adhering to mask, distancing and

hygiene rules if the carer's result is negative.

Unvaccinated carers will be isolated for seven 7 days, even if their results are negative.

Vaccinated carers will have an antigen test done on the 5<sup>th</sup> day, and unvaccinated carers on the 7<sup>th</sup> day. These people will have PCR tests done earlier if they show symptoms before the specified time periods.