



B4SA: Weekly Update 04 June 2021

You will undoubtedly have followed developments over the past few days related to the South African COVID-19 vaccine acquisition and rollout programme. Colleagues will be aware that we established the B4SA vaccine platform to provide up-to-date information on bilateral and multilateral engagements with government, hopefully enabling businesses to respond to the latest news.

Dear B4SA and business colleagues,

The Phase 2 vaccination rollout is gathering momentum. Recent figures show that as of 3 June, 1,193,352 adults had received their first jab. This includes those in the Sisonke trial. The number of vaccines administered daily is climbing, and we are now looking at roughly 75,000 per day. There are 2.3 million over 60s who have registered for their vaccinations.

However, we are still in a vaccine constrained environment. Pfizer is supplying 636,000 vaccines per week, and we still await the release of the J&J doses, which US regulatory bodies are checking following possible contamination at the Baltimore facility. Once released, it will add another two million doses to the programme.

The good news is many new vaccination sites have come online in the private and public sectors. One workplace site has come online and has started vaccinating. There are 88 other workplace sites in the pipeline, which will be able to administer a total of 24,300 doses a day. The NDOH selects the sites, and we understand this is based on factors such as vaccine supply, vaccine type, infrastructure requirements, available vaccinators and geographic location, etc. More sites will be brought online as we receive larger volumes of vaccines.

We remain concerned about the possibility of the third wave engulfing us. Ramping up the vaccination programme is essential, but we cannot forget to do the basics: wear your masks, wash or sanitise your hands regularly, and maintain social distancing. This also means avoiding large indoor gatherings.

We continue to ask for your support and co-operation. Everyone needs to get registered on the government EVDS platform, help others register, and get vaccinated when directed to do so. Here is the link to register—[here is the link](#).

Stay safe—register if you are over 60, and tell and help others do the same.

Martin Kingston, Chairman, B4SA Steering Committee



Guidance to all private sector vaccination sites

We have noted that some sites are scheduling their appointments in a way that does not provide vaccinees with enough lead time notice. This may be exacerbating the challenge of no-shows at a number of sites, as well as making it difficult to effectively manage vaccine supply.

Official NDOH guidance requires sites to provide vaccinees with at least 72 hours' notice between receiving an SMS and presenting themselves to a vaccination site.

Consequently, we are recommending that all sites **revise their schedules to seven days** forward to allow vaccinees sufficient time to plan for their appointments and assist in the advance allocation of stock.

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Active vaccination sites

The Government's SA coronavirus has been updated with the latest vaccination rollout sites across SA—456 to date.

To access the list, click on the link below

<https://sacoronavirus.co.za/active-vaccination-sites/>

**REGISTER FOR
YOUR VACCINATION**

<https://vaccine.enroll.health.gov.za>



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Your Guide to the Electronic Vaccination Data System (EVDS)

citizens aged 60 years and above need to register for their COVID-19 vaccination through the EVDS self enrolment platform

6 steps to register for vaccination if you are 60 years or older:

STEP 1



Make sure you have internet access

STEP 2



You will need a smartphone, a tablet or a computer

STEP 3



Connect to the internet and go to

<https://vaccine.enroll.health.gov.za/#/>

STEP 4



The welcome screen will tell you what to do next.

STEP 5



Follow the instructions Put in all the details the system asks for

STEP 6



When you are done the system will send an SMS to the phone number you provided. This SMS will tell you that you are registered. This means that the system now has you in the queue.

When it is your turn to be vaccinated, the system will send you another SMS with a date and the venue for your vaccination.

If you put in the correct address, you will be sent to the vaccination centre that is closest to your home

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Should you encounter problems during the registration process contact the COVID-19 hotline 0800 029 999



QR Code link to EVDS registration site

The QR code below links directly to the EVDS registration site. Please use it in any print or applicable marketing material to help spread the message.

Users simply need to open the camera app on their mobile phone and point it at the code. A notification will open on the phone taking them directly to the site to register.



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Important changes to booking process since Sisonke

There are no separate websites to register—it is all on one site:

<https://bookings.v4hwc.co.za/vax/>

The V4hwc logo consists of the letters 'V4hwc' in white on a blue rectangular background, with a red cross symbol integrated into the '4'.

Important Changes to the booking process since Sisonke

- You do not require a Voucher to make a booking.
- You have to be registered on EVDS as a Health Care Worker to make a booking
- You will not receive a Voucher SMS to confirm your booking (for Private Sites)
- You do not need to click "Confirm Booking"
- There are no separate websites to register and book, its all in one now.

<https://bookings.v4hwc.co.za>

A large yellow triangle graphic is positioned in the bottom right corner of the slide.

Vaccination Toolkit

The government has released a free Vaccination Communications Toolkit for use by all interested parties wanting to contribute to the communications efforts against COVID-19 and in support of vaccination and registration.

[Access it here.](#)

B4SA thanks business for registering as primary workplace vaccination sites

B4SA thanks and applauds all businesses registered as a primary workplace vaccination site through the Master Facility List (MFL) process set up by the NDOH. It will certainly assist not only their employees, but all others able to be accommodated by those sites. This will also help the national effort by relieving pressure on the other public and private sector vaccination sites.

Please see the following story about revised COVID-19 OHS Direction for workplaces

The high-level process to operationalise a site is as follows:

High level process to operationalise a vaccination site



The Impact:

As of 3 June, the cumulative number of COVID-19 infections (cases) identified in South Africa is 1,680,373.

The total number of deaths stands at 56,765.

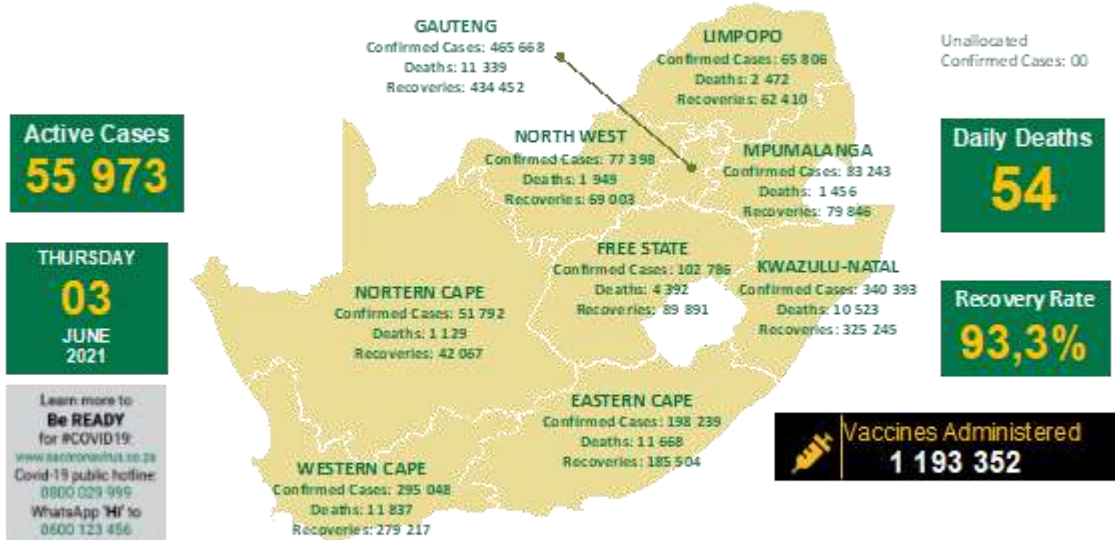


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COVID-19 STATISTICS IN SOUTH AFRICA

11 757 176	1 680 373	1 567 635	56 765	5 361
Tests conducted	Positive Cases Identified	Total Recoveries	Total Deaths	New Cases



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 Covid-19 public hotline: 0800 029 999
 WhatsApp 'Hi' to 0600 123 456

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 The COVID Alert SA app can notify you if you have been exposed to another app user with coronavirus. Download it now to protect yourself and others.

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Covid Comms – an additional information source

Covid Comms is producing infographics, which are available for free download on www.covidcomms.org.za along with its existing body of 150 infographics and a number of animated videos and 20 new videos/audio files in six official languages.

News reports of interest

The weeks news, government announcements and interesting reading:

Top Stories

The weeks news, government announcements and interesting reading:

- [Pension payout points to be used to register senior citizens for COVID-19 vaccine](#)
- [SA is not reaching herd immunity. Our new goal is containment – here’s how it works](#)
- [WHO approves Sinovac for emergency use](#)



[Government expecting an announcement from US FDA on J&J vaccine delay](#)

<https://edition.cnn.com/2021/06/01/health/who-approves-sinovac-covid-vaccine-intl-hnk/index.html>

[Dis-Chem completes 12 500 vaccinations in first week, sending its own SMS reminders to combat no-shows](#)

[Over 15 000 vaccines later, Clicks says it's ready to scale up](#)

<https://www.news24.com/fin24/companies/health/dis-chem-has-vaccinated-12-500-people-at-six-sites-and-is-sending-out-sms-reminders-20210601>

[SA oxygen suppliers say SA has enough oxygen for third wave](#)

[Sewerage water shows KZN in third wave](#)

[Economy: one in 12 jobs lost, employment rate could take up to 2025 to recover from Covid](#)

[A good explainer on the end-to-end vaccination process \(from arrival at site\)](#)

[International: No UK deaths for first time in 10 months](#)

[International: For first time in 12 months, US shows less than 20 000 infections](#)

[International: WHO, IMF, World Bank and WTO call for vaccine equity](#)

[mRNA history and a view of where else they can be used \(cancer, auto-immune diseases, etc\)](#)

[International: Brazilian town of 45,000 inhabitants shows Covid deaths 95% down after almost all adults vaccinated \(shows that herd immunity can be reached when 75% of population is vaccinated\)](#)

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OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES ON COVID-19

All official government regulations and guidelines are available at <https://www.gov.za/coronavirus/guidelines>



OFFICIAL RESOURCES:

NICD website: <http://www.nicd.ac.za>
COVID-19 information website: <https://sacoronavirus.co.za>
Coronavirus 24-hour Hotline: 0800 029 999
Coronavirus WhatsApp: 060 012 3456

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

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