ABOUT THE UN SYSTEM-WIDE COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAMME

The UN is committed to ensuring the protection of its personnel. Tasked by the Secretary-General, the Department of Operational Support (DOS) is leading a coordinated, UN-system-wide effort to ensure the availability of vaccine to UN personnel, their dependents and implementing partners. The roll-out of the UN System-wide COVID-19 Vaccination Programme (the “Programme”) for UN personnel will provide a significant boost to the ability of personnel to stay and deliver on the Organization’s mandates, to support beneficiaries in the communities they serve, and to contribute to our on-going work to recover better together from the pandemic. Information about the Programme is available at: https://www.un.org/en/coronavirus/vaccination

ABOUT THE VACCINATION CERTIFICATE

Upon administration of the requisite vaccine dosage, a certificate of vaccination is generated through the Programme’s registration platform (the “Platform”). The certificate generated by the Platform uses a standardized format, similar to the one used by the WHO in its “International Certificate of Vaccination or Prophylaxis” (Yellow) vaccination booklet.

Note: This certificate may not dispense with travel restrictions put in place by the country(ies) of destination. As the nature of the pandemic continues to rapidly evolve, it is highly advisable to check the latest travel regulations. As scientific information relative to the vaccination as well as tests on immunity against COVID-19 also continue to evolve, noting the appearance of variants of the 2019-nCoV coronavirus, it is important to stay informed of the applicable public measures in place as well as the restrictions applied in the country of destination.
VACCINES DISTRIBUTED THROUGH THE UN VACCINATION PROGRAMME

All vaccines administered through the Programme have been approved under emergency use listing procedures (EUL) by the World Health Organization, after a rigorous assessment of efficacy and safety.

In particular, the UN has acquired doses of:

- COVISHIELD, the version of AstraZeneca/Oxford COVID-19 vaccine manufactured by the Serum Institute of India, approved under emergency use listing procedures (EUL) by the WHO.
- JANSSEN Ad26.CoV2.S vaccine against COVID-19 manufactured by Janssen (Johnson & Johnson), approved under emergency use listing procedures (EUL) by the WHO.
- MODERNA (mRNA-1273) vaccine, also known under the trade name of “Spikevax” in some countries manufactured by Moderna, approved under emergency use listing procedures (EUL) by the WHO.
- BBIBP-CorV (SINOPHARM) manufactured by the Sinopharm/ China National Pharmaceutical Group, approved under emergency use listing procedures (EUL) by the WHO.

ASTRAZENECA
- See COVISHIELD COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet (external site) here.

JANSSEN/ JOHNSON & JOHNSON
- See JANSSEN COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet for recipients and caregivers (external site) here.
- See JANSSEN COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet for healthcare providers administering vaccine (vaccination providers) (external site) here.
- See from the WHO ‘The J&J COVID-19 vaccine: What you need to know’ (external site) here.

MODERNA
- See MODERNA COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet for healthcare providers administering vaccine (vaccination providers) (external site) here.
- See from the WHO ‘The MODERNA COVID-19 (mRNA-1273) vaccine – what you need to know’ (external site) here.

SINOPHARM
- BBIBP-CorV (SINOPHARM) (no fact sheet as of yet) but see from the WHO ‘The Sinopharm COVID-19 vaccine: What you need to know’ (external site) here.