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Vaccine registration open to the public

Government has officially launched the Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine online registration for the public – as the Department of Health gears up for phase two of the country’s vaccine rollout.

Health Minister, Dr Zweli Mkhize, invited all citizens aged 60 years and above to register for vaccination on the Electronic Vaccination Data System (EVDS).

“This launch marks a significant milestone not only for our vaccination campaign but for South Africa’s advancement towards Universal Health Coverage,” said the Minister.

One digital system

He explained that this was the first time in democratic history that a major public health campaign will be supported by one digital system for all South Africans.

“The President, myself,



hundreds of thousands of healthcare workers and now you, the citizens of

South Africa, have or will access the vaccines through the same process, by using

this system.” He said there will be no distinction between pri-

vate and state healthcare users, except that private healthcare users will need to share their medical aid details.




“The quality of services will be the same for all of us and the system will assign a vaccination site closest to our homes or where we work and not based on whether a particular site is a public or private facility.”

Citizens must have their ID number, medical aid number, if they have one, and ensure they put in the correct cellphone number and residential address.

Registration on the EVDS does not guarantee that you will be vaccinated immediately.

“We will use the information you provide when you register to communicate with you about the vaccination programme when necessary,” explained the Minister.

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