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Informed Consent to Vaccination Against COVID-19

Recipient information		
Name:	Sex:	Date of birth:
Type of identity document:		No.:
School:	Class:	Student No.:
Name of parent/ legal guardian:		Telephone:
Vaccine and location Type and name of vaccine: vaccine (Sinopharm @NBG Beijing) of mill Location of vaccination:	RNA vaccine (BioNTech)] ·(P	[Please indicate inactivated]

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- Novel Coronavirus Pneumonia (COVID-19) is a highly infectious disease that can spread rapidly in homes, workplaces
 and public places. It can cause serious illnesses such as pneumonia and is reported to have a relatively high case fatality
 rate. Some patients have exhibited pulmonary fibrosis and other sequelae post-recovery.
- 2. A variety of COVID-19 vaccines have been in mass production and in use around the world. Getting vaccinated against COVID-19 is the most effective way to prevent novel coronavirus pneumonia, and can effectively reduce the morbidity, severity and mortality of the disease. A certain extent of herd immunity can also be achieved to contain the transmission of the virus when most of the population become immunized.
- 3. The Health Bureau is offering COVID-19 vaccines to Macao residents, non-resident workers, and non-Macao residents legally staying in Macao on a long-term basis by phases, based on the risk levels. The COVID-19 vaccines provided by the Health Bureau have been widely used around the world, with an excellent efficacy and safety record in the interim results of phase III clinical trials, and their known and potential benefits far outweigh the known and potential risks.
- 4. However, due to the short development time of the COVID-19 vaccines, research on their long-term effects and safety is still ongoing. At present, the use of such vaccines are approved under emergency use authorization or conditional marketing authorization in most countries/ regions, including Macao.
- 5. The most common side effects of COVID-19 vaccination are pain at the injection site, fatigue, headache, muscle pain, joint pain, chills and fever. Most side effects are mild to moderate in severity, and disappear on their own in a few days.
- 6. Like any other medicines or vaccines, serious allergic reactions may occur in extremely rare cases; therefore, individuals who had serious allergic reactions to any ingredient of the vaccine should not be vaccinated. All vaccine recipients should rest at the vaccination point for at least 30 minutes after receiving the vaccine; should there be any discomfort during or after the period, recipients should inform the health professionals on site immediately.
- 7. Individuals suffering from febrile diseases or other acute illnesses, as well as those in acute attack of chronic diseases should defer vaccination or consult a health professional for assessment before receiving the vaccine. The safety of COVID-19 vaccines on foetus has not been evaluated; hence, pregnant women are advised to postpone vaccination unless they are planning to visit a high-risk area. Different vaccines are indicated for different age groups according to their clinical trial data. Please read the assessment questionnaire carefully and receive assessment from health professionals before taking the vaccine. The applicable ages of existing vaccines are tentatively set as follows:
 - Inactivated vaccine (Sinopharm CNBG Beijing): >=12 years of age;
 - mRNA vaccine (BioNTech): >=12 years of age.
- 8. It takes 1-2 weeks after 2 doses of the same vaccine, which are generally given 4 weeks apart, to achieve the intended efficacy as the results of clinical trials. Except in special circumstances, the same vaccine should be used for both doses.
- 9. It must be noted that, like any other vaccines, COVID-19 vaccines are not 100% effective; protective measures must continue to be observed after vaccination.
- 10. Further details of various vaccines can be found on the respective information sheets. Consult health professionals if you have any questions.

Note: The COVID-19 vaccines in use have an excellent safety and efficacy record. Nevertheless, in order to better reassure the public, the MSAR Government has purchased insurance for every vaccine recipient aged below 86 years to provide cover for the recipients and their family members against total and permanent disability or death caused by the vaccine.