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- 15,000 vaccination appointments available for persons aged 53-54 years on 16-17 April.

Cyprus breaks the 200,000 mark of vaccinations today. Up to 14 April, a total of **198.060 vaccinations were administered, out of which 141.000 concerned the 1st dose and 57.060 concerned both doses.**

Increasing vaccination coverage is a step towards the return to normality, as soon as possible. The vaccination programme is implemented, with priority given tomorrow to citizens aged 53 and 54. Specifically, **15.000 appointments for vaccination will be made available through the Vaccination Portal from tomorrow, April 16th, at 7:30 am, until Saturday, April 17, at 8 pm, only for people aged 53-54.** Vaccinations will be carried out at all Vaccination Centres island-wide with the available vaccines of AstraZeneca and Pfizer.

The aim of the Ministry of Health is for the vaccination coverage of the population to proceed at an even faster pace, so that individuals aged 45 and over can receive at least the 1st dose of the vaccine by the beginning of May and by the 1st semester of the year to have vaccinated at least 60 % of the population (at least with the 1st dose).

The data from the vaccination of 83% of people aged 80 and over and 79% of those in the 70-79 age group show that vaccination dramatically reduces the number of positive cases and admissions to hospitals. In order to achieve citizens' health protection, it is recommended that individuals with priority proceed, as quickly as possible to schedule their vaccination, thus reducing the risk of serious illness and/or death.

Vaccination is the only way we can get our lives back and return to normality as soon as possible.

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