

Appendix. Vaccination guidance on contraindications/precautions to COVID-19 vaccination (as of 24 December 2020)

NOT ELIGIBLE	
Children under 16 years of age	Do not administer vaccine May be eligible for other COVID-19 vaccines
CONTRAINDICATIONS	
Anaphylaxis or severe allergy to the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine or any of its components	Do not administer vaccine May be eligible for other COVID-19 vaccines
Anaphylaxis or severe allergy to other drugs, vaccines, food, bee sting etc.	Do not administer vaccine May be eligible for other COVID-19 vaccines
PRECAUTIONS – RECOMMENDED NOT TO VACCINATE	
Pregnant women (any trimester)	Do not administer vaccine. May be eligible for other COVID-19 vaccines.
Women who become pregnant after first dose and before second dose	Do not administer second dose of vaccine. Can get second dose after delivery.
Transplant within the past 3 months <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid organ or stem cell 	Do not administer vaccine. May be eligible for other COVID-19 vaccines.
Active cancer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes untreated cancers or those on palliative care • Persons with a history of cancer, who are in remission, can be vaccinated 	Do not administer vaccine. May be eligible for other COVID-19 vaccines.
On cancer treatment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes chemotherapy, immunotherapy or radiation therapy • Persons on hormonal therapy can be vaccinated 	Do not administer vaccine. May be eligible for other COVID-19 vaccines.

<p>HIV infection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CD4<200 • Persons with CD4≥200 and VL suppressed can be vaccinated 	<p>Do not administer vaccine.</p> <p>May be eligible for other COVID-19 vaccines.</p>
PRECAUTIONS – CAN VACCINATE WITH ADVICE	
<p>Increased risk of haematoma with intramuscular injections due to bleeding tendency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On anticoagulation • Bleeding disorders (haemophilia, etc.) • Low platelet counts (unless known to have platelets <50,000) 	<p>Can vaccinate intramuscular, if patient accepts risk.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is no data to support subcutaneous injection. • Advise to hold firm pressure at the injection site for at least 5 minutes post-vaccination. • If patient is known to have platelets <50,000 or is known to be over-anticoagulated, defer intramuscular injection until condition improved.
<p>Fever (Temperature >37.5 degree C) in past 24 hours</p>	<p>Defer vaccination until fever resolved.</p>
<p>Breastfeeding</p>	<p>Can vaccinate. Advise suspend breastfeeding for 5–7 days.</p>
<p>Planning pregnancy</p>	<p>Can vaccinate. Advise to defer conception until 1 month after completing second dose of vaccine.</p>