

MEDIA STATEMENT

THURSDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

MORE SITES WILL BE OPENED IN GAUTENG AS PART OF THE VOOMA VACCINATION WEEKEND

As part of the Vooma Vaccination Weekend which will take place from Friday to Sunday, 1 to 3 October 2021, more COVID-19 vaccination sites will be opened in Gauteng.

A total of 645 sites will be operational on Friday, 150 on Saturday and 134 on Sunday with longer operational hours for the majority of the sites (8:00-16:00) as part of efforts to get as many people vaccinated to beat the anticipated fourth wave later this year.

The Vooma Vaccination Weekend is part of series of outreaches in which leaders from across the political spectrum, civil society, traditional leaders, labour and business will mobilise communities to stay safe by being vaccinated.

Additional vaccination sites, including pop-up vaccination sites, and those operating over the weekend are being opened to accommodate those who are unable to get vaccinated during the week, and to take the vaccines to the people.

Vaccination has been proven to be effective in minimising severe illness, hospitalisation and death in the event one contracts the coronavirus. All persons who are 18 years and older are invited to visit their nearest vaccination site to get vaccinated.

The public is further reminded that those who received a two-dose vaccine need to return for the second dose at 42 days. All Gauteng sites

both private and public accept walk-ins whether people are registered on the EVDS or not

Members of the public can access the vaccination sites through the following link:

https://sacoronavirus.co.za/vooma-vaccination-weekend/

THE VARIOUS DISTRICT VOOMA WEEKEND ACTIVITIES ARE TAKING PLACE AS FOLLOWS:

Ekurhuleni District:

Date:	Friday, 1 October 2021
Time:	08h00 – 16h00
Venue:	DH Williams Hall, 2097 Gumede Street, Katlehong
Contact:	Joseph Monaheng; Cell: 082 558 9736

Johannesburg District:

Date: Time:	Saturday, 2 October 2021 08h00 - 16h00
Venue:	Diepsloot Youth Centre
Address:	5978 Sebadisho Street, Diepsloot West 5

Contact: Sandile Gwayi; Cell: 082 926 0161

Tshwane District:

Date:	Saturday, 2 October 2021
Time:	06h00 – 14h00
Venue:	Soshanguve Block X Sport Ground and Hall, Tshwane
Contact:	Philani Mhlungu; Cell: 060 961 2627

West Rand District:

Date:	2 October 2021
Time:	08h00 – 15h30
Venue:	Rietvallei Stadium, 4481 Fourth Avenue, Ext 2, Rietvallei

Contact: Nomagugu Hloma; Cell: 067 419 6062

Sedibeng District:

Date:	3 October 2021
Time:	09h00 – 16h00
Venue:	President Park Stadium, 21 Market Avenue, Vereeniging
Contact:	Portia Gibson; Cell: 067 414 4155

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