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1. PURPOSE

Pre-Event Testing ("**PET**") refers to a COVID-19 test taken by an attendee or patron who wishes to enter a venue where selected events, businesses or activities are being held. This attendee or patron must have a valid negative COVID-19 test result taken within a specified period, before being allowed to enter the venue or participate in the event, business, or activity.

This document is a guide for **Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises** on integrating PET, where required, into their operations.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 To enable more economic and social activities to resume in a safe manner, the Ministry of Health ("MOH") is implementing the use of PET as one of the measures to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 spread.
- 2.2 Selected events, businesses or activities include weddings, solemnisations, live performances (seated audience), pilot spectator sports events or MICE including consumer tradeshows. Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should refer to the table on the PET microsite to assess if their event, business, or activity requires PET.
- 2.3 Attendees/Patrons who wish to enter or remain in venues where the selected events, business, or activities are carried out (thereafter referred to as "attendees/patrons") are required to **obtain a valid negative COVID-19 Test Result** to participate in the event or activity (See Para 3.2 for more details).
- 2.4 However, attendees/patrons are exempted from PET if they meet the following criteria:
 - (a) Fully vaccinated, i.e. has received the appropriate regimen of World Health Organisation Emergency Use Listing (WHO EUL) vaccines (e.g. Pfizer-BioNTech/Comirnaty, Moderna, AstraZeneca-SKBio, Serum Institute of India, Janssen, Sinopharm, Sinovac-CoronaVac) including their respective duration post-vaccination for the vaccine to be fully effective (refer to summary in Annex A of <u>VDS Information Sheet</u>), and had their vaccination records ingested in MOH's national IT systems; or
 - (b) Recovered from COVID-19, i.e. less than 270 days of first positive Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test result obtained in Singapore; or
 - (c) Has a negative result on a pre-event test (PET) by an MOH-approved COVID-19 Test Provider in the past 24 hours, covering the duration of the stipulated activity.

¹ A valid negative ART or PCR Test result refers to a PCR or ART test administered or supervised by MOH-approved COVID-19 Test Providers. Negative results obtained from self-administered ART test and self-administered ART test performed under supervision by parties other than MOH-approved COVID-19 test providers are not recognised as PET.

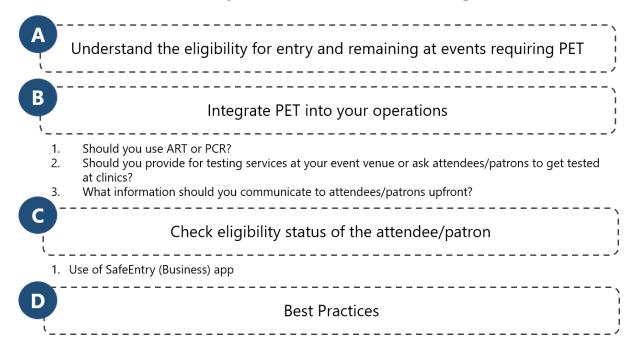
- (d) Children aged 12 years and below, who are not eligible for vaccines currently under the National Vaccination Programme (subject to the prevailing cap on the overall attendance).
- 2.5 The use of PET <u>does not</u> replace existing safe management measures ("**SMMs**") such as mask-wearing, safe distancing, and limits on gathering sizes, all of which continue to be key measures to reduce the risk of community spread².
- 2.6 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises must comply with the steps marked out in boxes bearing the title 'Compliance Required'. The other steps are strongly encouraged but not mandatory.
- 2.7 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may contact relevant Sector Leads should there be further queries or clarifications on the 'Compliance Required'.

3. STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO INTEGRATING PET

3.1 Diagram 1 outlines the steps Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises need to take.

Diagram 1: Steps to Pre-Event Testing

4 Step Guide to Pre-Event Testing



 $^{^2}$ Please refer to the $\underline{\text{MTI Go Business website}}$ for the full list of sector-specific safe management measures.

A. <u>Understand the eligibility for entry and remaining at events requiring PET</u>

- 3.2 Attendees/patrons are required to <u>obtain a valid negative COVID-19 Test Result to participate in the event or activity.</u> The validity of a negative COVID-19 Test result³ is **24 hours** from the time the attendee/patron was registered at the testing premises to take the test. Attendees/Patrons will be permitted for entry if the validity period covers the duration of their visit (see <u>Diagram 3 for duration of validity</u>).
- 3.3 The following attendees/patrons are eligible to enter into and remain at an event, business, or activity without the need for PET:
 - (a) Attendee/Patron who is fully vaccinated, i.e. has received the appropriate regimen of World Health Organisation Emergency Use Listing (WHO EUL) vaccines (e.g. Pfizer-BioNTech/Comirnaty, Moderna, AstraZeneca-SKBio, Serum Institute of India, Janssen, Sinopharm, Sinovac-CoronaVac) including their respective duration post-vaccination for the vaccine to be fully effective (refer to summary in Annex A of VDS Information Sheet), and had their vaccination records ingested in MOH's national IT systems.

You will need to bring along your mobile device with call or internet service, or updated TraceTogether (TT) app on the day of the event, business, or activity. If you do not have a mobile device, please bring along your working TraceTogether token. The event organiser or venue staff will be able to retrieve vaccination status directly from MOH's database using the SafeEntry (Business) app.

(b) Attendee/Patron who has recovered from COVID-19⁴: Attendee/Patron will be exempted from PET if you have recovered from COVID-19, i.e., less than 270 days of first positive PCR test result.

Attendee/Patron will need to obtain a PET Exemption Notice from any clinic offering ART or PCR testing services (see list here) or a Discharge Memo. They will be allowed to enter or remain at the venue of the event, business or activity, as long as it is within the validity period specified in the PET Exemption Notice or Discharge Memo.

If Attendee/Patron has recovered from COVID-19 and is fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you must still obtain a PET Exemption Notice or Discharge Memo to be eligible for exemption from PET.

Attendee/Patron is required to provide original Government-issued photo identification (e.g., NRIC/FIN/Passport) to the Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises for verification purposes.

For more information, please click here to download full FAQs for Attendee/Patron.

³ A valid negative ART or PCR Test result refers to a PCR or ART test administered or supervised by MOH-approved COVID-19 Test Providers listed here. Negative results obtained from self-administered

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⁴ This includes individuals who have taken one dose of Pfizer-BioNTech/Comirnatry, Moderna, with an additional two weeks for the vaccine to be fully effective.

(c) Children aged 12 years and below, who are not eligible for vaccines currently under the National Vaccination Programme (subject to the prevailing cap on the overall attendance).

Compliance Required

Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises must ensure that <u>all</u> attendees/patrons entering or remaining in the event, business, or activity venue, where PET is required, **must have a valid negative test result**. This <u>excludes</u> the following individuals, who are not required to undergo PET:

- 1. Individuals who are exempted from PET based on paragraph 3.3, and
- 2. Individuals who may not fulfil the criteria in paragraph 3.3 but enter or remain at the venue <u>solely</u>:
- (a) to deliver goods or provide services connected with the event, business, or activity, undertaking work related to the event and carried on within the venue;
- (b) to work as a permitted enterprise or permitted enterprise worker, for or with the occupier of the restricted place;
- (c) to render assistance in an emergency at the venue;
- (d) to execute an order of a court or a direction given by or on behalf of a public officer or a public body in exercise of a power under any written law.

B. <u>Integrate PET checks into your operations</u>

- 3.4 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises can either:
 - (a) arrange for the MOH-approved COVID-19 tests to be provided at the event-site to attendees/patrons; or
 - (b) require attendees/patrons to separately obtain their own COVID-19 tests from the MOH-approved COVID-19 test providers;
- 3.5 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should consider the following:

B1. Should you use ART or PCR?

- 3.6 As of the date of this document⁵, only the following COVID-19 tests have been approved by MOH for use in PET⁶
 - (a) the COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Test ("ART"); and
 - (b) COVID-19 Polymerase Chain Reaction Test ("PCR Test")⁷.

⁵ The version was issued on 1/11/2021 10:08 am.

⁶ Kindly refer to <u>Table 1</u> for further information on which test kits have been approved by MOH for use for PET.

⁷ This refers to a Nucleic Acid Test that uses Polymerase Chain Reaction methods to test for the presence of the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

- 3.7 While PCR and ART results are both acceptable, ART is generally more suitable for PET as ART usually has a much shorter turnaround time (around 30 minutes) compared to PCR tests (which may take up to 48 hours). A shorter turnaround time may mean attendees/patrons are able to get their results earlier in time to attend the event, if not, the results are no longer valid for the event by the time attendees/patrons receive their results.
- 3.8 Do take note that only the following ART kits are approved for use by MOH for PET:

Table 1: List of test kits approved by MOH for ART

COVID-	COVID-19 Test Kits ⁸ that are approved by	Method of Sampling
19 Test	MOH for ART	
ART	BD Veritor™ System for Rapid Detection of	
	SARS-CoV-2	Anterior Nasal,
	Standard Q COVID-19 Ag Test	Nasopharyngeal
	Roche SARS-CoV-2 Rapid Antigen Test	
	Panbio™ COVID-19 Ag Rapid Test Device	
	Quidel Sofia SARS Antigen FIA Kit	Anterior Nasal

- 3.9 There may be cases where attendees/patrons managed to undergo a rapid PCR test (e.g., using a Cepheid machine) where the turnaround time is only a couple of hours. In such cases, the attendee/patron can obtain a corresponding COVID-19 Test Result Notice (PCR) (see <u>Annex A</u>) for the purposes of PET.
- B2. Should you provide for testing services at your event venue or ask attendee/patron to get tested at clinics?
- 3.10 <u>Diagram 2</u> states what is required for both options:

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⁸ The most updated list can be found on MOH's <u>website</u>.

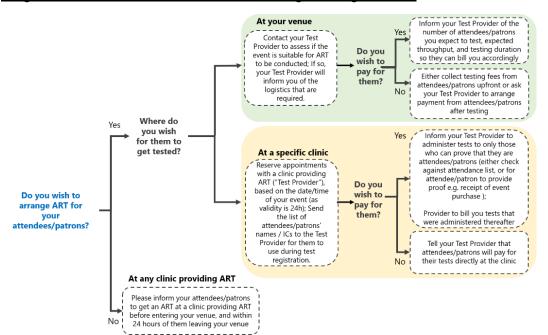


Diagram 2: Decision tree for whether to arrange testing services

3.11 If Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises wish to assist attendees/patrons in arranging tests, they should refer to this list of MOH-approved COVID-19 Test Providers. This is summarised in Table 2.

Table 2: ART and PCR Test Providers for Event-site and Clinic-site Testing9

MOH-	Location	of tests
approved	At the venue where the event,	At premises licensed under the
COVID-19	business or activity is carried	Private Hospitals and Medical
tests	out ¹⁰ ("event-site")	Clinics Act (PHMCA) (e.g. at a
		clinic) ("clinic-site")
PCR tests	Refer to "List of Approved Offsite	Refer to "List of Approved
	Providers for Polymerase Chain	Providers for Polymerase Chain
	Reaction (PCR) Tests for COVID-	Reaction Tests"
	19"	
ARTs	Refer to "List of Approved Providers	Refer to "List of Approved
	for Antigen Rapid Testing for	Providers for Antigen Rapid
	COVID-19 at Offsite Premises"	Testing for COVID-19 within their
		Healthcare Institutions"

3.12 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may choose a mixture of both testing models (event-site or clinic-site) for their attendees/patrons.

B3. What information should you communicate to attendees/patrons upfront?

⁹ Lists referenced in Table 2 can be found on the MOH website at this link.

¹⁰ Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises who choose this option may refer to the next Section entitled "Testing outside of PHMCA-licensed premises"

- 3.13 To manage attendees/patrons' expectations, Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises are strongly encouraged to communicate the following at the point of sale or reservation:
 - (a) the eligibility requirements for entering and remaining at events requiring PET;
 - (b) the requirements to undergo an MOH-approved COVID-19 test including where and when to undergo testing, how long the test will take, how long they need to wait for the test result and how much they are expected to pay for the test (if applicable);
 - (c) highlight that entry will be denied to all who do not produce the relevant documentation (see <u>Annex A</u>);
 - (d) where applicable, the refund policy in the event that attendees/patrons are unable to attend the event due to testing positive on a MOH-approved COVID-19 test¹¹; and
 - (e) items required on the day of the event, business, or activity:
 - Government-issued photo identification (e.g. NRIC, FIN or Passport);
 and
 - ii. mobile device with call and internet service, or updated TraceTogether (TT) App or working TT Token
 - (f) only TraceTogether App/Token can be used for SafeEntry check-in.
- 3.14 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises must advise or arrange for attendees/patrons to get tested (see <u>Diagram 3 below</u>):
 - (a) Before the start of their visit to the event, business, or activity; and
 - (b) A maximum of 24 hours before the end of their attendance of the event, business, or activity.

Diagram 3: Examples for when an attendee/patron should be tested

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¹¹ A PCR Positive, a Pooled-PCR Positive, ART-Positive, or ART twice-invalid result obtained from a MOH-approved COVID-19 test. A 'twice-invalid' ART test result means that the sample(s) has been tested twice by an ART provider and in both instances, there was no conclusive finding as to whether the attendee/patron tested positive or negative. An attendee/patron who tests twice-invalid are subject to the same requirements as an attendee/patron who tests ART-positive.

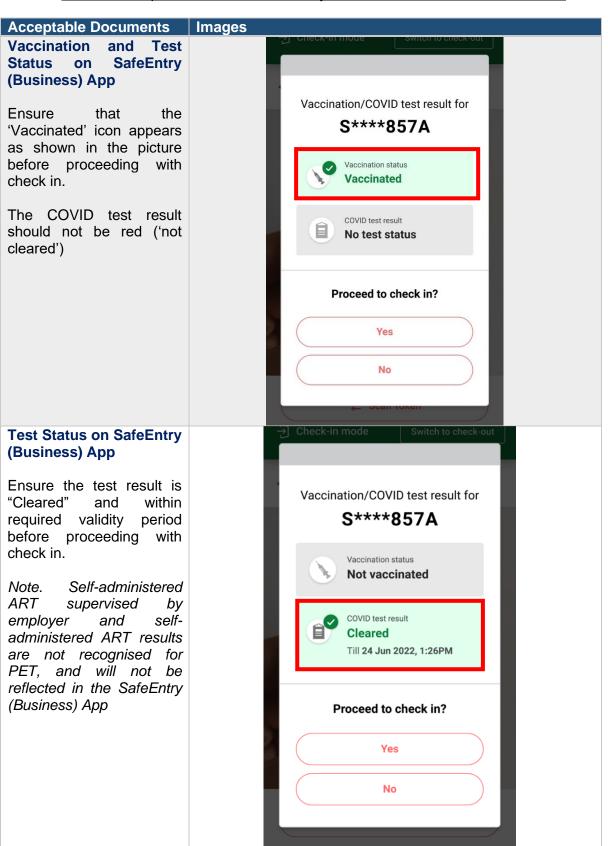


- (a) Attending/Patronising only Event A (23 May 12-1pm): Attendee/Patron must be tested between 22 May 1pm and 23 May 12pm.
- *** (b) Attending/Patronising both Event A + Event B (23 May 12pm 23 May 7pm): If attendee/patron gets tested before 22 May 7pm, he/she will have to obtain a second negative test result as the COVID-19 Test Result Notice has to cover him/her till end of the visit to Event B. If attendee/patron gets tested between 22 May 7pm and 23 May 12pm, one test will suffice.
- ***(c) Attending/Patronising Event A + B + C (23 May 12pm 24 May 10pm): Attendee/Patron will have to obtain at least 2 negative COVID-19 Test Result Notices.

C. Check eligibility status of the attendee/patron

- 3.15 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises must conduct checks on the eligibility status of each attendee/patron and ascertain the attendee's/patron's eligibility requirements (listed in 3.2) for PET before allowing them entry into the event, business, or activity.
- 3.16 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises must ensure that attendees/patrons do not enter or stay beyond the validity period of their **Acceptable Documents**. Please see <u>Table 3</u> for list of acceptable documents.

Table 3: Acceptable Documents for entry into events, businesses, or activities



PET Exemption Notice

This will be issued by any clinics offering ART or PCR testing services in printed, hard-copy form.

Verify if the notice belongs to the individual by checking against the his/ her Government-issued photo identification.

Ensure that the PET Exemption Notice is valid until for the duration of the event.



Discharge Memo

This will be issued at point discharge from medical facility in printed, hard-copy form.

Verify if the memo belongs to the individual by checking against the his/ her Government-issued photo identification.

Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises to ensure that the duration of the activity is within the 270 days exemption period calculated from the date of the 1st PCR test.



- 3.17 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises are to verify the ages for children 12 years and below (i.e. born in or after the year 2009). If there is more than one child in the group of up to 5 persons, Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises are to verify that all children belong to the same household and ensure that there is no mixing or mingling between different groups.
- 3.18 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises must not recognise any other documents, copies, or any other variations in format. However, alternative documents listed in Annex A will be accepted for verification in the event (list not exhaustive) where:
 - (a) SafeEntry (Business) app is not deployed and attendee/patron is a TraceTogether Token user:
 - (b) HealthHub app reflects a different vaccination status from TraceTogether and SafeEntry (Business) app.
- 3.19 While these documents do not need to be kept by Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises, Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should verify that these belong to the attendee/patron displaying them by checking against his/her original Government-issued photo identification.

- C1. Use of SafeEntry (Business) app
- 3.20 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises must deploy SafeEntry (Business) app to facilitate check-ins and should ensure that their app has the SafeEntry Gateway (SEGW) function and has been updated to the latest version. The Vaccination-differentiated SMMs Check should enable for the event venue via the SafeEntry (Business) dashboard before they are able to verify vaccination status and test result¹².
- 3.21 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises can check attendee's/patron's vaccination and test statuses by requesting attendees/patrons to tap their TraceTogether (TT) Token or App (open in the foreground) against the Event Organiser's/Relevant Enterprises' mobile device running SEGW on SafeEntry (Business) App. The customer's last 4 alphanumerics of their government-issued identification number, vaccination and test status will be displayed. If the attendee/patron meets criteria for entry, tap on "Yes" to complete the SafeEntry check-in.
- 3.22 The eligibility for entry into events, businesses, or activities where PET is mandatory, illustrated using the SafeEntry (Business) App icons, can be found in <u>Diagram 4</u> below.

Diagram 4: Eligibility for entry into events, businesses, or activities where PET is mandatory



3.23 Checks by Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should be limited to the verification of each attendee's/patron's eligibility status for purposes of entry into the event, business, or activity, and data should not be used for other purposes or stored.

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 $^{^{12}}$ Please see the user guide $\underline{\text{here}}$ for step-by-step instructions.

D. <u>Best Practices</u>

- 3.24 To pre-empt common questions from attendees/patrons, Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises could develop FAQs for attendees/patrons (please refer to the "Frequently Asked Questions" section for sample FAQs).
- 3.25 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises are strongly encouraged to incorporate the following best practices gathered from previous PET pilots conducted by MOH (see <u>Table 4</u> below) to facilitate smooth running of PET operations.

<u>Table 4: Recommended mitigation measures to common pitfalls when at point of entry at</u>
<u>the venue of the event, business, or activity</u>

Topic	Common Pitfalls	Recommended Mitigation Measures
Verifying documents for entry	Attendees/Patrons may show up at the venue without the valid Acceptable Documents, stating that they were not aware of such a requirement.	Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should clearly state the types of documents that are acceptable for entry, at the point of sale or reservation.
	Attendees/Patrons may forget to bring items necessary for PET, such as their original governmentissued photo identification and TraceTogether token/app for SafeEntry.	Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should inform attendees/patrons to bring a mobile device that has call and internet service, updated TraceTogether (TT) app/ working TT token, as well as their NRIC/FIN/Passport, at the point of sale or reservation. Event Organisers/ Relevant Enterprises should inform attendees/patrons that failure to bring either of these or a positive test result will result in a denial of entry into the venue.
Managing missed attendances	Some attendees/patrons may not be able to undergo PET due to contraindications (e.g. unable to undergo nasal swab due to nose bleeds or recent facial injury/surgery).	Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises are encouraged to highlight contraindications of the test used to attendees/patrons at the point of sale or reservation and ask attendees/patrons to notify in advance if any of the contraindications apply to them. This will give Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises sufficient time to consult the contracted approved test provider to make alternative testing arrangements.
	Attendees/Patrons may be afraid of being denied entry unnecessarily, should they turn out to be a false positive.	Where applicable, Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should communicate their refund policy upfront, so that attendees/patrons know what to expect should they have to miss any paid bookings from testing ART-positive/twice-invalid.

Managing crowds	There may be too many attendees/patrons to properly implement safe distancing, especially if many arrive at the same time.	Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should appoint sufficient Safe Distancing Ambassadors to ensure that SMMs are observed at all times. Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises are encouraged to pre-assign arrival times to limit crowding.
	Members of public may wander in and out of the venue of the event, business, or activity if there are no physical barriers to control entry.	Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may wish to put up signages and barriers around the perimeter to indicate that this event, business, or activity requires PET. Traffic marshals or safe distancing ambassadors may also be deployed to ensure that there is no entry or exit by members of the public at any point of the pre-designated route leading in or out of the area.
	Attendees/Patrons may stay beyond the 24-hour validity window of their PET.	For multi-day events, businesses, or activities (i.e. exceeding 24 hours), Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may wish to tag those with limited PET validity with stickers or wrist bands at point of entry. Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may also conduct random spot checks, should they stay beyond their validity window.

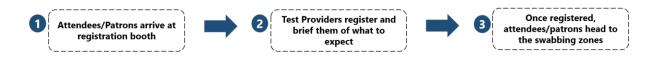
4. TESTING AT EVENT PREMISES

A. Sample Workflow

- 4.1 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises who wish to provide testing services at event premises (e.g. at the venue of the event, business, or activity) must appoint an approved test provider (see para 3.11 above) to do so. Please refer to <u>Diagram 5</u> below to see a sample workflow. Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may also refer to the Approved Test Provider's Guide to PET for more information.
- 4.2 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may wish to apply as an approved test provider should they wish to conduct PET at their event premises. To apply as an approved test provider, Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may refer to the PET microsite here for more information.

<u>Diagram 5: Sample workflow for testing at event premises</u>

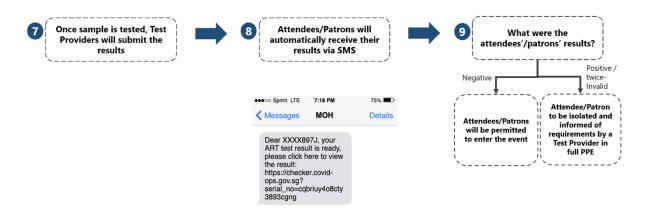
(1/4) Testing at event premises



(2/4) Testing at event premises



(3/4) Testing at event premises



(4/4) Testing at event premises attendees'/patrons' results? Positive / Negative Twice-Invalid Attendee/Patron gets: Attendee/Patron 1. Instructions from Test Provider to be isolated Event Organisers/Relevant Must get confirmatory PCR swab asap Enterprises check in attendees/patrons via SafeEntry and informed of will proceed to **ENTER** - Must self-isolate until they test PCR neg Can't take public transport (only taxi, car, PHV) requirements by a Test Provider the entrance of (Business) App the venue 2. MOH memo which they must acknowledge in full PPE either verbally or in writing Did you arrange for a PCR swab at the same premises? Attendee/Patron Attendee/Patron to

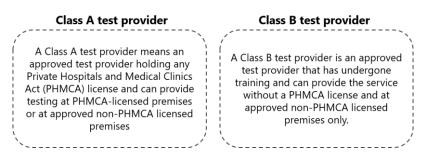
4.3 There are two types of approved test providers – Class A and B. The details on Class A and Class B providers are set out in <u>Diagram 6</u> below. Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may engage either of these providers for your event, business, or activity where PET is required.

given PCR swab and

asked to go home

seek PCR swab at a SASH clinic

Diagram 6: Types of approved test providers



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

A. Basic facts about PET

1. Can Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises conduct ART on their own?

• No. ART can only be conducted by approved test providers who meet the requirements spelt out in the relevant MOH circulars and regulations (Refer to <u>Table 2</u>).

2. How long before entering the venue of the event, business, or activity should attendees/patrons get tested?

- The validity of a negative COVID-19 Test Result is 24 hours, starting from the time the attendee/patron was registered at the testing premises.
- Attendees/Patrons will only be allowed to enter and remain in the venue of the event, business, or activity if they have been registered at the testing premises less than 24 hours prior to the scheduled **end** time of the event/business, or activity (see <u>Diagram</u> 3 above for a worked example).
- Negative results obtained from self-administered ART test and self-administered ART test performed under supervision by parties other than MOH-approved COVID-19 test providers are not recognised as PET.

3. Can the same COVID-19 Test Result be used for entry across multiple events businesses, or activities?

- The same test result can be used for entry to multiple events, businesses, or activities, as long as the validity period covers the entire duration.
- However, we strongly recommend against going to multiple events, businesses, or activities within 24 hours. While the PET and Safe Management Measures (SMM) serve to reduce the risk of transmissions, they are not entirely risk free. Event-hopping or attending multiple events or activities could put you at higher risk of being infected or transmitting infection, as we have seen in several overseas clusters.

4. Will attendees/patrons need to be tested daily if they are attending the same event, business, or activity across multiple days?

Yes. The negative COVID-19 Test Result is only valid for 24 hours from the time that the attendee/patron was registered at the testing premises. The Event Organiser/Relevant Enterprise must ensure that attendees/patrons do not remain at the venue of the event, business, or activity beyond the period of validity specified in their COVID-19 Test Result Notices. Doing so would be an offence.

B. Exemption from PET

5. Who is exempted from PET?

- Attendees/Patrons may be exempted from PET and can gain entry to events, businesses, or activities requiring mandatory PET without undergoing PET, if they meet one of the following criteria:
 - (e) Fully vaccinated, i.e. has received the appropriate regimen of World Health Organisation Emergency Use Listing (WHO EUL) vaccines (e.g. Pfizer-BioNTech/Comirnaty, Moderna, AstraZeneca-SKBio, Serum Institute of India, Janssen, Sinopharm, Sinovac-CoronaVac) including their respective duration post-vaccination for the vaccine to be fully effective (refer to summary in

Annex A of <u>VDS Information Sheet</u>), and had their vaccination records ingested in MOH's national IT systems; or

- (f) Recovered from COVID-19, i.e. less than 270 days of first positive Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test result obtained in Singapore; or
- (g) Has a negative result on a pre-event test (PET) by an MOH-approved COVID-19 Test Provider in the past 24 hours, covering the duration of the stipulated activity.
- (h) Children aged 12 years and below, who are not eligible for vaccines currently under the National Vaccination Programme (subject to the prevailing cap on the overall attendance).

6. The attendee/patron has taken his/her COVID-19 vaccination(s) overseas. Can he/she be exempted from PET?

- Singapore Citizens (SCs), Permanent Residents (PRs), and Long-Term (LT) Pass (e.g. Long-Term Visitor Pass, Work Permit, Employment Pass, S pass, and dependent pass holders) Holders (LTPHs) with vaccination records in Singapore's National Immunisation Registry are exempted from PET. More details on the process can be found on MOH's Post Vaccination Matters website.
- Newly arrived SCs, PRs, LT, Short-Term Visit Pass (STVP) Holders would be exempted from PET, if they produce a valid tamper proof, Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA) issued vaccination sticker on their passport¹³ (see Annex A) or a valid negative result¹⁴. These stickers would be valid until the end of the STVP validity or until 30 September 2021, 2359hrs, whichever is earlier.
- By September, the IT systems will be enhanced such that travellers, upon verification of their eligible vaccination status at entry, will also be recognised by SE Biz App through their TT apps/ Tokens and can be exempted from PET.

7. The attendee/patron has recovered from COVID-19. Can he/she be exempted from PET?

- Attendee/Patrons are exempted from PET if he/she has recovered from COVID-19, i.e. less than 270 days of first positive PCR test result obtained in Singapore.
- Attendee/Patrons will need to obtain a PET Exemption Notice from any clinic offering ART or PCR testing services listed here.
- He/she can also use your Discharge Memo as proof of recovery if it states the <u>first PCR date</u>.
- With the PET Exemption Notice or Discharge Memo, attendee/patron will be allowed
 to enter or remain at the venue of the event, business, or activity, as long as it is within
 the validity period specified in the Notice. Attendees/Patrons are required to provide
 their original Government-issued photo identification (e.g. NRIC/FIN/Passport) to the
 Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises for verification purposes.
- Images of the PET Exemption Notice and Discharge Memo are displayed in <u>Table 3</u> below. Any other documents, copies, variations in format (including screenshots and pictures) will not be recognised by Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises.

¹³ Eligible travellers are those who (i) were fully vaccinated overseas with a WHO-EUL vaccine, and (ii) who can provide a valid, English-language vaccination certificate. Travellers should have their vaccination certificates when seeking assistance from ICA at checkpoints upon arrival.

8. Are children exempted from events, business, or activity that require PET?

- Children aged 12 years and below, who are not eligible for vaccines currently under the National Vaccination Programme, are also exempt from PET (subject to the prevailing cap on the overall attendance). If there is more than one child in the group, all children must be from the same household.
- Children aged 13 years and above will be subjected to PET if not fully vaccinated. If
 the appointed approved test provider is not comfortable with swabbing children or if
 parents/guardians expect their children to resist swabbing, Event Organisers/Relevant
 Enterprises can advise attendees/patrons to seek testing services for their children
 from a clinic that can swab children of that age (see here for a list of providers and the
 ages they are able to swab).
- Alternatively, Event Organisers/Relevant Establishments can advise attendees/patrons not to bring children to the event, business, or activity if they anticipate testing to be challenging.

9. Do attendees/patrons need to undergo PET if their visit to the event, business, or activity starts within their PET exemption period but ends in the middle of the exemption period?

 Yes. To remain at the event, business, or activity, attendees/patrons must obtain a new COVID-19 Test Result before the validity period of their PET Exemption Notice ends.

C. ART

10. How long is the entire ART process?

- For most attendees/patrons, the time of registration at the testing premises to the time of results notification should not take longer than an hour.
- Key event attendees/patrons (e.g. wedding couple/speakers/emcees) may wish to get your ART conducted at these <u>clinics</u>. These clinics have access to rapid PCR testing facilities (with approximately 3 hours) in the event that are you tested ART-positive and require a confirmatory PCR test. Please take note that the cost of all rapid PCR tests is self-funded and will not be borne by the Government.

11. What happens during an ART?

- The exact test procedure varies from test kit to test kit and the approved test provider will be able to advise accordingly.
- One sample test workflow is as follows: After registration, the attendee/patron will be directed to a sample collection area where a swabber will ask him/her to lower his/her mask, just enough to expose his/her nostrils. The swabber will then insert a swab stick 2.5 cm up one nostril, and rotate it for 5 times, and leaving it in for an additional 5 seconds thereafter. The process is repeated for the other nostril.
- Once obtained, the sample is tested, and the test results are subsequently read and submitted.

12. What should attendees/patrons who test positive/twice-invalid for ART do?

 An ART-positive or twice-invalid result suggests that the attendee/patron may have been infected with COVID-19 and must seek a confirmatory PCR test as soon as possible and self-isolate until they are tested PCR negative. The attendee/patron must follow up with only a confirmatory PCR test and must not obtain another COVID-

- **19 Antigen Test**. Even if the attendee/patron does subsequently obtain an ART-negative result, he/she will not be permitted entry or remain at the venue until he/she has obtained a negative PCR result.
- If a confirmatory PCR test is available at the same location as where the ART was administered and the attendee/patron wishes to have it administered there, he/she must notify the approved test provider and self-isolate immediately in the designated isolation area until the confirmatory PCR test is administered.
- Alternatively, the approved test provider must issue the attendee/patron with a referral document entitled 'Referral for Confirmatory PCR Test', which may be used to obtain a Government-funded confirmatory PCR test at any Swab-And-Send-Home (SASH) PHPC¹⁵ or at a Regional Screening Centre (RSC).¹⁶
- After receiving the referral document, the attendee/patron must immediately return to his/her place of accommodation (via private transport or via taxi/private hire vehicles with the windows rolled down) and self-isolate there. The attendee/patron may only leave his/her place of accommodation to undergo the confirmatory PCR test, or if it is necessary for the purposes of seeking medical treatment.
- If attendees/patrons were referred by the approved test provider to a SASH PHPC, they should be advised to make an earliest appointment with a SASH PHPC to obtain a Government-funded confirmatory PCR test.
- If attendees/patrons were referred to a RSC by the approved test provider, they should show up at the respective RSC at their appointment time as indicated on their appointment slip.
- If the result of the confirmatory PCR test indicates that the attendee/patron is negative
 for COVID-19 infection, he/she can stop his/her self-isolation. If the result is positive or
 presumptive-positive, the attendee/patron is to continue his/her self-isolation and await
 a phone call from MOH, which will provide instructions on the follow-up actions
 required.

13. What should you do if an attendee/patron feels unwell?

- If any attendee/patron feels unwell, Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should advise them to visit a medical professional as soon as possible for further assessment. Attendees/Patrons are not allowed to take ART if they display any acute respiratory infection (ARI) symptoms such as cough or fever.
- Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises should encourage them to rest at home and refrain from attending any event, business, or activity.

D. Payment

14. Will the government pay for PET?

- No. Attendees/Patrons are responsible for paying for their own PET.
- Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises may however wish to subsidise the cost of PET for the benefit of their attendees/patrons and inform attendees/patrons beforehand if this will be the case.
- For indicative ART or PCR costs, please refer to the list of COVID-19 swab providers at this <u>link</u>.

¹⁵ The list of SASH PHPCs are available at phpc.gov.sg, please look for clinics with SASH tags.

¹⁶ The list of RSCs are available at https://www.flugowhere.gov.sg/files/rsc-english.pdf.

15. Will the government pay for the confirmatory PCR test for those who test positive on an ART?

- Attendees/Patrons who test ART-positive may obtain a Government-funded confirmatory PCR test at any SASH PHPC clinic (or RSC if referred by the approved test provider). To obtain the Government-funded PCR test, attendees/patrons will be required to present a standard MOH referral document issued by the approved test provider and their identification card. Do note that it may take up to 48 hours for results to be available.
- Attendees/Patrons may also obtain their confirmatory PCR tests from a non-SASH PCR Test Provider, but these will not be funded by the government.
- Some test providers may offer you with an option to undergo PCR tests with fast turnaround times (within a few hours or less). Please note that these tests will not be funded by the government.
- Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises who intend to provide PCR testing services at their venue where the event, business, or activity is carried out should communicate the charging policy to attendees/patrons beforehand to avoid any misunderstanding.

E. Penalties

16. What are the penalties for failing to comply with PET-related requirements?

 Failure to comply may result in breach of Infectious Diseases Act and/or other COVID-19 legislation.

17. What should you do when encountering attendees/patrons who fail to bring the required documents at point of entry?

- Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises can work with attendee/patron to help acquire or retrieve the documents.
- If attendees/patrons are not able to provide these documents, Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises can deny them entry into the venue and may offer a refund as communicated upfront between the Event Organisers/Relevant Enterprises and attendees/patrons at the point of sale or reservation.

F. Miscellaneous

18. Will attendees/patrons need to observe SMMs, even when everyone at the event, business or activity has tested negative?

Yes, PET does not replace the need for SMMs. The tests reduce the probability that an infected person enter the venue. If an infected person tests antigen negative (i.e. false negative) and enters the venue of the event, business or activity, SMMs will reduce the likelihood of him/her transmitting the virus to other people at the venue and sparking a large cluster of infections. Both PET and SMMs are key measures that Singapore has implemented to stem the spread of COVID-19 as we open up our economy and society further.

19. Do you need to provide attendees/patrons a refund if they end up not being able to attend the event, business, or activity from testing positive or not having the required documents?

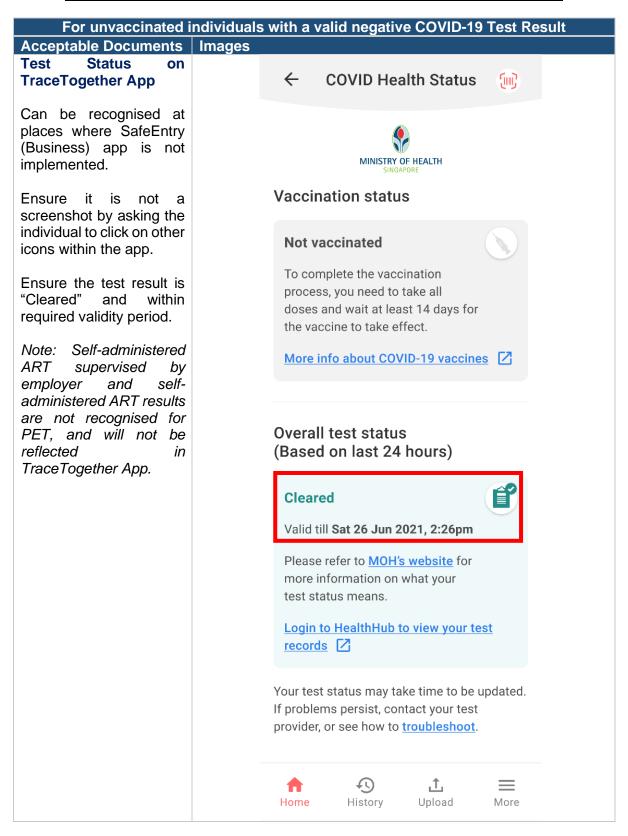
• Refunds for missed attendances are a matter between Event Organisers/Relevant Establishments and attendees/patrons.

- Where applicable, Event Organisers/Relevant Establishments should communicate the refund policy to attendees/patrons at the point of sale or reservation to avoid subsequent misunderstandings.
- Attendees/Patrons should enquire about the Event Organiser's/Relevant Establishment's refund policy before buying tickets or committing to a purchase.

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ANNEX A

Alternative documents that can be provided for verification of eligibility



COVID-19 Test Result Notice (ART)

This will be issued by MOH-approved COVID-19 Test Providers in printed, hard-copy form.

Verify if the hardcopy belongs to the individual by checking against the his/her Governmentissued photo identification.

Ensure the test result is negative and within required validity period.



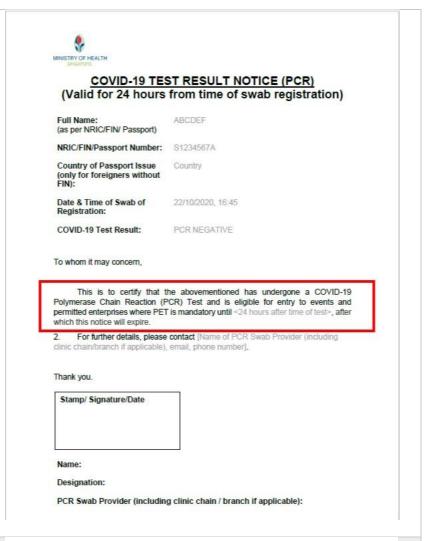
COVID-19 Test Result Notice (PCR)

This will be issued by clinics in printed, hard-copy form.

Can be recognised at places where SafeEntry (Business) app is not implemented and the individual is a TraceTogether token user.

Verify if the hardcopy belongs to the individual by checking against the his/her Governmentissued photo identification.

Ensure the test result is negative and within required validity period.



PRPP ART Result Slip

This will be issued by clinics in printed, hard-copy form.

Can be recognised at places where SafeEntry (Business) app is not implemented.

Verify if the hardcopy belongs to the individual by checking against the his/her Governmentissued photo identification.

Ensure the test result is negative and within required validity period.



Antigen Rapid Test Result Slip

 PATIENT'S PARTICULARS

 Name (as per NRIC / FIN / Passport):
 Lee Min Ho

 NRIC / FIN / Passport No.:
 s6110001f

 Mobile Number:
 +65 01025393681

 Gender:
 Male

 Patient's Address:
 16 COLLEGE ROAD #01-01, 169854

Antigen Rapid Test Details

Reason for test:

Tested On:

Result is valid till:

Events/Establishments

Test Type: Antigen Rapid Test

Test Kit Brand: BD Veritor** System for Rapid Detection of SARS-CoV-2

Mandatory Testing for

03-Feb-2021 10:54 hrs

04-Feb-2021 10:54 hrs

 Test Batch Nos:
 12345

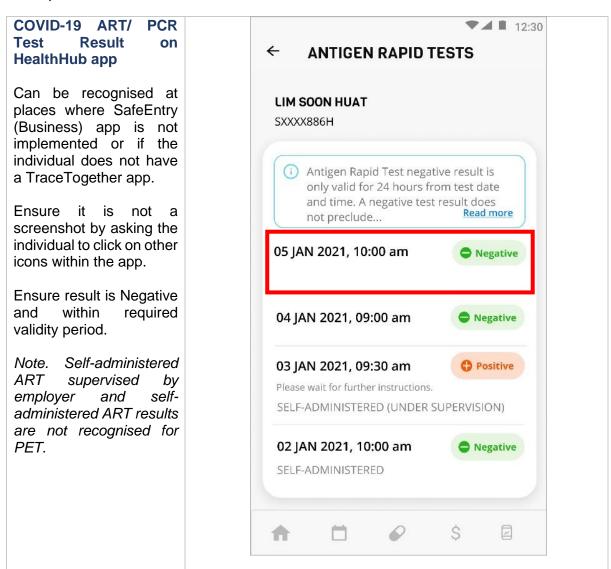
 Test Result:
 Negative

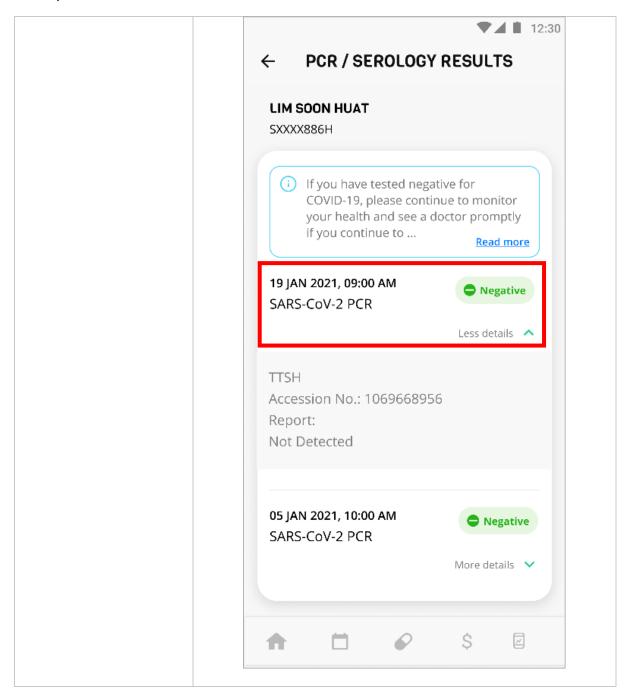
 Tested By:
 Name of \$3000601A

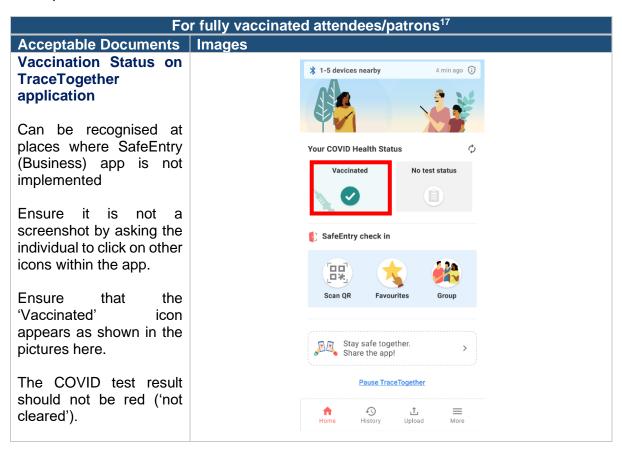
 Clinic Name:
 18 CLINIC

Clinic Address: 535 TOWNER ROAD #03, 322101









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¹⁷ Individuals who are vaccinated with WHO-EUL vaccines will be considered as fully vaccinated and therefore exempted from PET if their vaccination records have been captured in MOH's national IT systems. Hard copy overseas vaccination certificates are not recognised for exemption from PET. Please refer to MOH's Post Vaccination Matters website for more information.

Vaccination Status on HealthHub application

Ensure it is not a screenshot by asking the individual to click on other icons within the app.

Can be recognised at places where SafeEntry (Business) app is not implemented and the individual is TraceTogether user; or when HealthHub app reflects a different status from TraceTogether and SafeEntry (Business) app.

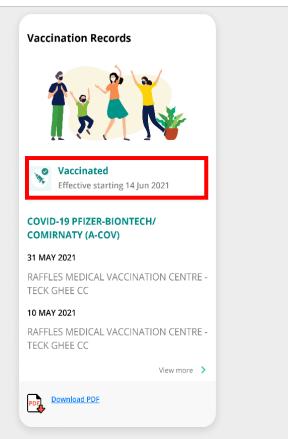
Ensure that the 'Vaccinated' icon as shown in the picture here.

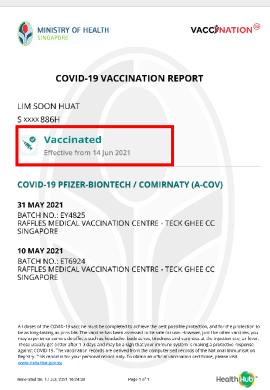
HealthHub COVID-19 Vaccination Report (Hardcopy)

Can be recognised at places where SafeEntry (Business) app is not implemented and the individual is a TraceTogether token user.

Verify if the report belongs to the individual by checking against the his/her Governmentissued photo identification.

Ensure that the 'Vaccinated' icon on the HealthHub app appears as shown in the picture here.





Vaccination Status shown on passport of travellers

Ensure that the inner side of the passport back cover is affixed with an ICA- issued valid tamper proof (i.e. not removed) vaccination sticker.

Note. The ICA-issued stickers are valid until the end of the respective STVP validity or until 30 September 2021, 2359 hours, whichever is earlier.

These holders' pass vaccination status will be reflected in the TraceTogether App or in the SafeEntry (Business) App from 3 September 2021

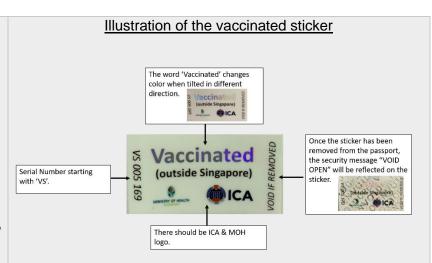
Physical Vaccination Card/Slip

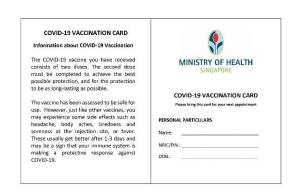
Only the original, hardcopy document will be accepted.

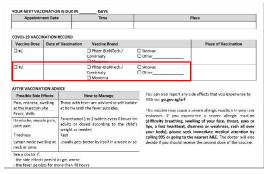
Can be recognised at places where SafeEntry (Business) app is not implemented and the individual is TraceTogether token user.

Verify if the card/slip belongs to the individual by checking against the his/ her Governmentissued photo identification.

Ensure that more than 2 weeks have passed since the final dose of the vaccine (e.g. if your final dose was on 1 July 2021 (Day 1), you would be considered to be fully







Appointm	ent Date	•	Time	Place
COVID-19 VACCI	NATION	RECORD		
Vaccine Dose	Date o	f Vaccination	Vaccine Brand	Place of Vaccination
□ #1			☐ Pfizer-BioNTech / Comirnaty	□ Sinovac □ Other
□ #2			☐ Pfizer-BioNTech / Cominnaty ☐ Moderna	□ Sinovac □ Other
AFTER VACCINAT		1	How to Manage	You can also report any side effects that you experience HSA vis: go.gov.se/srf
Pain, redness, so at the injection: Fever, chills			ver are advised to self isolat the fever subsides.	This vaccine may cause a severe allergic reaction in ver- instances. If you experience a severe allergic re-
	de pain,	adults or do		of ifficulty breathing swalling of your face, throat or
Tiredness		Rest		calling 995 or going to the nearest A&E. The doctor wi
joint pain adults or dosed according to the child's weight as needed			decide if you should receive the second dose of the vaccine	

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