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## **VACCINE REMINDER CARD IS VALID WHILE MYSEJAHTERA SOLVES UPDATING ISSUES OF DIGITAL COVID-19 VACCINE CERTIFICATE**

**SHAH ALAM, 12 SEPTEMBER, 2021** – Issuance of the vaccine reminder card (VRC) by Product Registration Holders of COVID-19 vaccines is a prerequisite to the vaccine registration process set by the National Pharmaceutical Regulatory Agency (NPRA). Meanwhile, the usage of the VRC is made compulsory by the Special Committee On COVID-19 Vaccine Supply (JKJAV) during the vaccination process as it contains essential information such as vaccination dates and vaccines received.

According to the JKJAV in an announcement made on 23 July 2021, and reiterated further by Minister of Health YB Khairy Jamaluddin, individuals who have not received their vaccine digital certificate in the MySejahtera application will be able to use the VRC as proof of full vaccination status until the MySejahtera team resolves the updating issues of COVID-19 vaccine digital certificate in the application. In a press conference held on 9 September 2021, the Minister has instructed the MySejahtera team to solve all issues related to updating the digital certificate within one week.

Therefore, vaccinees who have received their two-dose vaccination under Sinovac COVID-19 vaccine private vaccination initiative but have yet to receive the digital certification in their MySejahtera application will enjoy the same privileges given to any two-dose vaccine recipient by showing their physical vaccination card.

As for individuals who do not own a smartphone, be it those who are not technically savvy, and in particular, those living in remote areas, it is crucial to keep their physical vaccination card safe and at hand at all times, as it is their only form of proof of having received their two-dose vaccination against COVID-19.

With this clarification, Pharmaniaga hopes this will ease the public concern on the issue. We also would like to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to the Government for their support to solve the problem, as well as to the public for their patience due to the inconvenience caused.

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With a vision to be the premier Malaysian pharmaceutical company, Pharmaniaga is guided by its philosophy of 'Do It Right Always' and is empowered by its motto of Passion for Patients. Strengthened by nine manufacturing plants, nationwide logistics and distribution in Malaysia and Indonesia as well as products registered in 15 countries, Pharmaniaga Group is positioned to be a regional player in the international pharmaceutical arena.

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