

100 Taman Desa folk get jab via mobile programme

ONE hundred residents in Taman Desa, Kuala Lumpur were inoculated against Covid-19 through a mobile vaccination programme.

The residents, comprising the elderly, mentally challenged and the ill, got the opportunity to receive their vaccination when the Lembah Pantai Health Office contacted Taman Desa Residents Association (TDRA) with the idea.

"We immediately mobilised a team to find people, especially vulnerable residents who have been unable to make it on their own to a vaccination centre in their area," said TDRA chairman Wong Chan Choy.

"We managed to get 100 candidates who fit the bill and passed the list to the Health Ministry."

Ministry officers then made a visit to Taman Desa to recce the area.

Wong said the officers eventually chose the association's community hall for the programme.

"The vaccination drive proceeded smoothly with 98 people showing up for their appointments.

"Thankfully, we had a standby list in case of no-shows so the last two vaccines were also dispensed."

Twenty-five volunteers, including doctors and nurses from the Health Ministry and Lembah Pantai Health Office, were involved in the programme.

"One of the recipients was a special child who was afraid of the needle and his parents had a challenging time getting him out of the car.

"But the doctor and nurse were very understanding and went to the car to vaccinate the child," Wong said, adding that everyone was looking forward to their second dose in early October.



Vaccine recipients being interviewed by nurses at the TDRA community hall where the mobile vaccination drive took place.