



The residents of UA₁ at the vaccination program.

UMS helps to vaccinate residents in EMCO areas

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) continues to assist the vaccination program for residents around localities in the city centre that were affected by the Enhanced Movement Control Order (EMCO).

Recently, 132 residents of University Apartment 1 (UA₁) received their vaccination through the Covid-19 Immunisation Task Force (CITF) of Kota Kinabalu District Mobile Vaccination

Program. UA₁ was placed under two-week EMCO since August 6.

According to the medical officer of UMS Hospital, Dr Rishaini Elengovan, the program which involves the collaboration of various parties including the hospital, Sabah State Health Department, Kota Kinabalu City Hall and the National Population and Family Development Board (LPPKN) Sabah Branch is the second series held after the

first one in Taman Putera Jaya, Telpok on Aug 12.

"A total of 15 staff have been involved to make this program a success in the EMCO area despite the risks that will be faced.

"This program is held to make it easier for the affected residents to get vaccinated without having to leave the EMCO area, and this to some extent can reduce the risk to residents in areas with Covid-19 cases," he said.

Dr Rishaini, who is also the co-coordinator of the Outreach Program, added that this would indirectly help accelerate the Sabah state government's target to vaccinate 60 per cent of Sabah's population by this October.

The outreach program is expected to continue in several localities around Kota Kinabalu until Sept 2, including in Taman Bukit Setia, Sepanggar, Tanjung Aru and Sembulan.