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## **VASCERN Medium-Sized Arteries (MSA) Working Group - Statement concerning SARS-CoV-2 vaccination for patients with vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome (vEDS)**

### **General statement:**

Follow the national safety advice for social distancing, mask wearing etc.

Vaccination is important for the whole population but it remains your own choice.

### **Recommendation for vaccination**

The national guidelines concerning vaccination are leading

### **Vascular EDS and vaccination against Covid-19**

Vaccination against COVID-19 is possible in patients with vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome, and is particularly encouraged for patients with significant associated morbidity such as chronic respiratory disease (emphysema, severe scoliosis and other causes of respiratory insufficiency), history of cardiovascular disease (stroke, myocardial infarction, renal infarction) and diabetes. Treatment by anticoagulant or antiplatelet therapy is not a contra-indication for vaccination, but requires an adaptation of the injection procedure. Vaccination during or prior to a programmed pregnancy should be discussed individually with attending physicians.