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### In the presence of the Health Minister Mr. Nitzan Horowitz, MDA began this morning to conduct rapid tests across the country to identify the corona virus

At the request of the Ministry of Health, on Sunday morning Magen David Adom opened 120 stands for a rapid test to detect the corona virus throughout the country. The rapid tests are intended for those who are required to present a green mark and are not vaccinated or recovered from COVID. The rapid tests will provide a result within a quarter of an hour and will be updated in the Green Pass systems of the Ministry of Health and the HMOs. The Minister of Health, Mr. Nitzan Horowitz, arrived this morning to the test stand at the Magen David Adom station in Jerusalem to take a closer look and be tested first.

A person required to take a rapid corona test will coordinate a digital appointment by calling \*3101, by an automatic voicemail or via a text message link, and will arrive to perform the test at one of the Magen David Adom rapid test centers around the country. The rapid test cost is: 52 NIS. The test results will be transferred to the Ministry of Health, the HMOs registry and the to the person himself in a text message, and will allow eligibility for a green pass for 24 hours in order to participate in public events in accordance with the green pass requirements that are updated from time to time, according to the Ministry of Health quidelines. If the result of the test is positive - the person will be required, according to the Ministry of Health quidelines, to start self-quarantine and also perform a PCR test through the HMOs or at one

of the test and drive complexes.

Mr. Nitzan Horowitz, Minister of Health: "I arrived here at the MDA station to undergo the first rapid examination. For a year and a half of Corona we have been talking about rapid tests that will allow us to live alongside the Corona and here it is happening, starting this morning. As you have seen, this is a simple - very effective procedure and from today everyone will be able to go to MDA stations and to other centers, get tested and get an answer within a guarter of an hour. The corona will not disappear from our lives soon. A Lockdown is a very difficult step with implementations on the economy and society, so I do not accept the arguments that a decision should be made on a lockdown right now. A lockdown is a last resort and as long as there is a chance to avoid it, we will do everything possible".

MDA Director General, Eli Bin: "The rapid tests will allow the citizens of the State of Israel to live in routine alongside the epidemic. These tests are performed at a very high level by skilled professionals who have been trained for this. We are prepared and ready to perform any task, we see it as our mission and as a national challenge. I thank the Minister of Health and the Ministry for the trust given to Magen David Adom."









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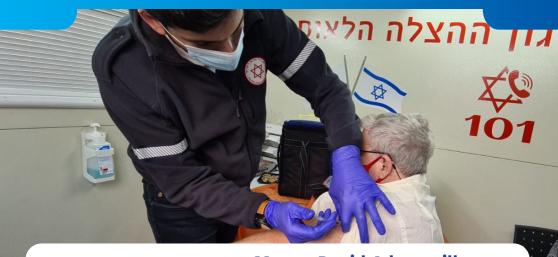
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## Third Vaccine for Seniors Magen David Adom will carry out the third vaccination in nursing homes in Israel

The third vaccination campaign for seniors is underway. Under the direction of the Ministry of Health, Magen David Adom began an extensive vaccination campaign tomorrow in all nursing homes in Israel.

Magen David Adom, which is at the forefront of the fight to prevent the spread of the Corona virus since the beginning of the pandemic vaccinated and sampled millions of people, will launch the third extensive vaccination campaign in nursing homes and assisted living facilities in the country for both staff and residents.

MDA worked extensively during the Corona crisis as part of the "Protecting Fathers and Mothers" program and performed samples to detect the Corona virus and vaccines among nursing home residents and staff, in high quality, with professionalism and advanced technological means that helped cutting the

infection chain. Magen David Adom is prepared and ready for the task and has extensive experience working with the elderly population.

MDA Director General Eli Bin: "As Israel's national rescue organization that was the first to be at the forefront of the fight in Corona, we are proud to take on the national mission assigned to us by the Ministry of Health and carry out the third vaccination for the elderly in nursing homes. Thus after we submitted to The "Protecting Fathers and Mothers" program's supervisor, Prof. Nimrod Maimon, the detailed program for vaccines and we presented him with the details of the operation. This is an important national task and I am sure that we will succeed quickly, efficiently and professionally in reaching all the residents of the nursing homes around the country and helping the national rescue organization eradicate the pandemic and lead the Corona to an end in Israel. "







On Monday, August 2, at 2:02 PM, a call was received at the MDA National Operation Center about an American Airlines plane carrying 183 passengers who took off from Miami on its way to Ben Gurion Airport with a front wheel malfunction.

MDA immediately activated the emergency landing protocol and MDA crews were launched at the airport, including MDA emergency motorcycles, first responders, ambulances and intensive care units in order to medically secure the plane's landing with a malfunction.

After tense moments, the plane landed safely.



#### Saving Lives on the High Holidays:

# Hundreds of MDA defibrillators will be installed in synagogues in the capital in a joint program with the Jerusalem Municipality

The Jerusalem Municipality and Magen David Adom, Israel's National Emergency Medical and Blood Services Organization are embarking on a one-of-a-kind project in Israel as the High Holidays approach, in which hundreds of life-saving defibrillators will be installed in synagogues in the city.

As part of the initiative, the Jerusalem Municipality calls on the city's synagogue Gabay

(care-taker) to apply on the municipal website or contact the community administrations.

The program is the result of a joint initiative of the mayor, Moshe Leon, and MDA Director General, Eli Bin, in which they set out to outfit all the synagogues in the city with defibrillators for the High Holidays, which are typically a time of mass gatherings.

It should be noted that the defibrillator is a device that can be operated independently, without previous medical training and is intended to save lives in the event of cardiac arrest until the emergency crews arrive.

The project was carried out thanks to the generous donation of the Iinternational Fellowship of Christians and Jews and Cross River Bank, which was recruited by Israeli Friends of Magen David Adom, and other donors donated by the Jerusalem Municipality



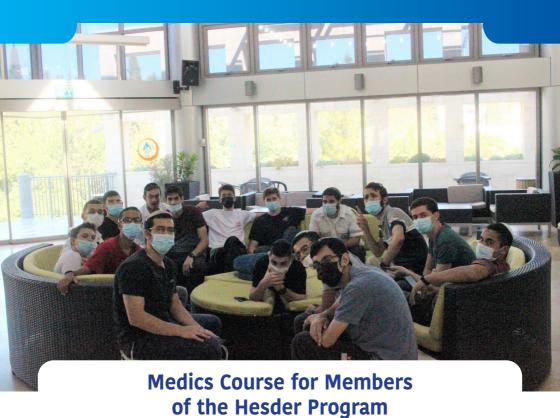
and Israeli Friends of Magen David Adom. Over the next few weeks, the stands will be installed in synagogues across the city for the benefit of worshipers and the general public, with the goal of saving lives.

The municipality and MDA stated that this is the first cooperation program of its kind in the country and large in terms of the number of devices that will be installed in synagogues.

The Mayor of Jerusalem,

Moshe Leon: "Installing defibrillator devices in synagogues will make the synagogue a safer place. The devices will provide an immediate and life-saving response when needed not only to synagogue worshipers but also to residents of the area."

MDA Director General Eli Bin: "In recent years, Magen David Adom has been working tirelessly to make the defibrillator accessible to citizens in a public area in the State of Israel, which has been proven to increase the chances of those suffering from cardiac arrest outside the hospital to survive without damage. "The hundreds of devices that will be placed in the synagogues join the thousands of devices that we have placed in the public areas and help save lives every day. I want to thank the donors and our partners in the Jerusalem Municipality with whom we can save the lives of many faster and better."



At the end of August, a designated medics course was held for members of the Hesder Program, intended for high school graduates who are planning on studying at Hesder yeshivas or at a Mechina (military preparatory school).

The course was held in Jerusalem with the purpose of reinforcing the emergency medical response given to citizens and with the help of emergency medicine medics it will be available 24/7. The course constitutes an introduction for the paramedic program for Yeshiva students, meant to create a reserve medical force during emergencies and Indeed, 12 out of 44 participants intend to continue on this route.

MDA welcomes this initiative and hopes to see more medics and paramedics from the ultra-orthodox community taking part in the activity of saving lives, in routine and during emergencies.