

# *Doctors in Guatemala urgently demand COVID vaccines*

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**Doctors from one of the main hospitals in the Guatemalan capital demand priority in the vaccination campaign. (Photo: Twitter: Prensa Comunitaria)**

Guatemala City, January 28 (RHC)-- Dozens of doctors and health workers in Guatemala demanded this Wednesday to the authorities the application of the vaccine against Sars-Cov-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, whose arrival in the country has not yet been confirmed.

According to Prensa Comunitaria, a local radio station, the workers of the Roosevelt Hospital in the capital are leading the protest and demand that the vaccines against COVID-19 be applied urgently to those who

are attending the pandemic at national level due to the high risk they are in.

Zagreb Zea Aragón, a doctor at the hospital, said: "All of us who are in the public hospitals, in the hospitals of the national network, are directly exposed," during a press conference held outside the Roosevelt Hospital.

They asked the Guatemalan Ministry of Public Health and Social Assistance (MSPAS) to speed up the process of purchasing at least 3,700 vaccines for all hospital personnel, especially because they work under many risks and recalled that all areas of the hospital are occupied.

The epidemiological situation worries the doctors and they recommend the population to take care of themselves and avoid crowds and thus avoid becoming infected, because "it is not known when the pandemic will end," in addition to the fact that "they have not received any information on what the vaccination plan for the hospital will be like."

In short, the medical personnel of the Roosevelt demanded that the Health authorities pay attention to the needs of the health personnel who are attending to the pandemic at the national level "so as not to have to lament more deaths in the population".

Guatemala, a country of about 17 million inhabitants, has had almost 156,500 cases of COVID and 5,513 deaths over the past 10 months.

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