



Thailand's COVID-19 Policies for Older Persons

Thailand provided guidelines for COVID-19 safety for older persons living at home and with relatives, the most common living arrangement for older persons, and provided cash payments to informal workers, which benefited many older persons.

Strict lock-downs



Strict lock-downs were implemented early, successfully controlling the spread of the virus

Stay-home recommendation



As most older persons live at home, they were advised to stay at home in almost all circumstances

Guidance for home carers



Older persons were advised to have one primary carer, and to quarantine together if possible

Health Volunteers



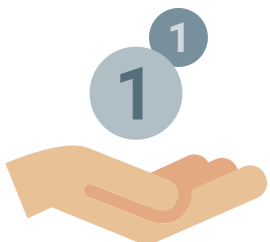
Health Volunteers go to homes to provide COVID-19 information, deliver supplies, and conduct contact tracing.

Tax Deductions



Tax deductions were adopted for health workers, health insurance, and small business able to retain employees.

Cash for informal workers



Special stimulus payments were offered to informal workers and farmers who did not get payments through the social security system.

Individual and business loans



The government offered emergency loans to individuals and businesses to provide greater economic assistance.

Vaccine development



Thailand is developing a vaccine and has entered a contract for 13 million courses of vaccine from an international developer.