## Covid. Senior Italia FederAnziani: "In the first half of February alone 5,319 deaths. We ask for a change of pace in the vaccination campaign "

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President Roberto Messina: "We believe it is necessary to deploy all possible forces, multiply the vaccination points, use specialists, military health, civil protection if necessary, in order to ensure that the vaccination machine is ready to support the imminent arrival of millions of doses. We also look with interest the WHO experts' recommendation for the use of the AstraZeneca vaccine for people over 65 ".

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The massacre of the elderly due to Covid is confirmed also in the first half of February. As we had already hypothesized during the month of January, at this rate the risk is to reach a number of deaths in June between fifty thousand (with 303 deaths a day) and eighty thousand (with 484 deaths a day). A forecast unfortunately also confirmed by the data of the first fortnight of February, a period that saw 5,319 deaths which, added to those of January (14,357), they bring to a total of 19,676 since the beginning of the year. These are mainly elderly people. **Article link** 

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The average age of patients who died and positive for Sars-CoV-2, in fact, according to the latest ISS update, has risen to 81 years ".

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Thus in a well-known Senior Italy FederAnziani comments on the current epidemiological situation.

"We have seen the vaccination campaign start in slow motion, and the logistical difficulties add to the bureaucratic and technological ones – declares the President of Senior Italia FederAnziani **Roberto Messina** – Once again we have encountered the complexity of a system that includes 20 different health systems, each of which travels in its own ways and times, so that patients in Italy find themselves having different hopes of survival. depending on the territory in which they have the good fortune or misfortune to live. **Article link <a href="https://www.italy24news.com/en/2021/02/covid-senior-italia-federanziani-in-the-first-half-of-february-alone-5319-deaths-we-ask-for-a-change-of-pace-in-the-vaccination-campaign.html">https://www.italy24news.com/en/2021/02/covid-senior-italia-federanziani-in-the-first-half-of-february-alone-5319-deaths-we-ask-for-a-change-of-pace-in-the-vaccination-campaign.html</a>** 

The hope is that the newly formed Draghi government can, together with the Regions, make a change in the campaign, through a logistical reorganization that tackles the two main problems: that of the supply of vaccines and that of administration ".

"We believe it is necessary to deploy all possible forces, to multiply the vaccination points, to use, if necessary, postgraduates, military health, civil protection, in order to ensure that the vaccination machine is ready to support the imminent arrival of millions of We also look with interest the WHO experts' recommendation for the use of the AstraZeneca vaccine for the over 65 (with the exception of the over 80 and the frail), since the wide availability of this vaccine, which can be administered capillary by doctors family, could give the vaccination campaign a further impetus. Regions need to be quickly put in a position to vaccinate the population quickly. We also hope that the procedures necessary to put the other vaccines on the market, now at an advanced stage of experimentation, because the risk is not being able to reach the necessary herd immunity quickly will save tens of thousands of lives, "he concludes.

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