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Cylchlythyr Wythnosol Weekly Newsletter

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Weekly Progress (12 - 19 April)



We have now given a total of **439,533** vaccines (a combination of 1st and 2nd doses) across our Health Board area. We have now vaccinated over 70% of those aged 40-49, and those aged 35-39 will start to receive their invitation letter in the coming weeks.

For those aged 29 years and under who are not in a clinical risk group, the JCVI has amended their guidance, which now states that this cohort should be offered an alternative to the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine, if available.

For further information, please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/use-of-the-astrazeneca-covid-19-vaccine-jcvi-statement/jcvi-statement-on-use-of-the-astrazeneca-covid-19-vaccine-7-april-2021>.

If you are aged 30 and above you are unable to choose which vaccine you are given. You will be made aware of which vaccine you will receive at your appointment and will have the opportunity to discuss any concerns you have with the staff at our Vaccination Centers. Our vaccination staff are also there to listen and help you if you have any phobias about needles.



Good News Story

Congratulations to Major Tom Shaw (pictured far left), from Llansadwrn, Carmarthenshire, who was selected for promotion to Lieutenant Colonel on 11th February. Also to Sergeant Stefan Beckford, who was selected for promotion to Staff Sergeant on 1st April. They have been supporting the vaccine rollout with planning and logistics.

Appointments

Everyone aged 40 years and over should now have been invited for their vaccine. If for any reason you have not received an invite, please fill in the form on our website:

<https://abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/aged-40-and-above-and-not-received-your-covid-19-vaccination-appointment/>.

VACCINATION FIGURES

(up to 19/04/2021)

Total number of Covid-19 vaccines given across our Health Board area (combination of 1st and 2nd doses)

439,533

Total 1st dose **324,836**

Total 2nd dose **114,697**

Age 75 years and over



Age 70-74 years



Age 65-69 years



Group 6 (at risk)



Age 60-64 years



Age 55-59 years



Age 50-54 years



Age 40-49 years



Reserve lists

You may have seen other Health Boards across Wales that have introduced a reserve list for their vaccine rollout.

At Aneurin Bevan University Health Board, we are vaccinating our population in line with JCVI guidance. We are inviting those eligible to receive the vaccine via letter or via the GP practice they are registered. We have a process in place where our vaccination booking centre will ring people who are eligible if we have appointments that become available on the day. We have an online form for people to complete if they haven't received their invite letter to ensure no one within the specific age cohort we are working through is missed. Other Health Boards across Wales may have a different process for inviting their population for their vaccine dependent on how their vaccination programme is progressing, however at Aneurin Bevan University Health Board we can assure the public that our booking process is currently working well, it is reviewed weekly and we do not feel a need to change our process at this time.

If 1 million in their 40s caught COVID-19, there would be:

1,000 deaths 10,000 hospitalisations

If those 1 million in their 40s were vaccinated with 2 doses of COVID vaccine, it would:

Prevent 900 deaths Prevent 9,000 hospitalisations

Source: PHW

Vaccinations during Ramadan

Having your vaccination during Ramadan is not counted as breaking the fast, as medicines are exempt.

For further information, please visit <https://english.alarabiya.net/coronavirus/2021/03/04/Coronavirus-COVID-19-vaccine-does-not-break-Ramadan-fast-UK-Muslim-medical-experts-urge>



If you have had your vaccination

It takes time for your body to build protection after any vaccination. **It is important to continue to follow all safety guidelines** to help protect yourself. We do not yet know whether the Covid-19 vaccination will stop you from catching and passing on the virus.

To find out which priority group you fall under, please visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/priority-groups-for-coronavirus-covid-19-vaccination-advice-from-the-jcvi-30-december-2020>

Public Health Wales publish daily vaccination figures on their website:

<https://public.tableau.com/profile/public.health.wales.health.protection#!/vizhome/RapidCOVID-19virology-Public/Headlinesummary>

For further information and FAQs on the delivery, eligibility and safety of the vaccine, please visit:

<https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/immunisation-and-vaccines/covid-19-vaccination-information/about-the-vaccine/>

Vaccination Deployment

Age 80 & over GP Practices

Age 72-79 Mass Vaccination Centres

Age 70-71 GP Practices

Group 4 GP Practices

Age 65-69 Mass Vaccination Centres

Age 60-64 Mass Vaccination Centres

Age 55-59 Mass Vaccination Centres

Age 52-54 Mass Vaccination Centres

Age 50-51 GP Practices

Age 40-49 Mass Vaccination Centres

Housebound Mobile Teams

Group 6 GP Practices

Please be on time

Please refrain from turning up more than 5 minutes early for your vaccine appointment. Whilst we appreciate you being punctual for your appointment, turning up too early can cause traffic congestion and queues at our vaccination centres.

Are your details up-to-date?

Please ensure your details, including address and telephone number are up-to-date with your GP practice.

This information enables us to invite you for your vaccination.