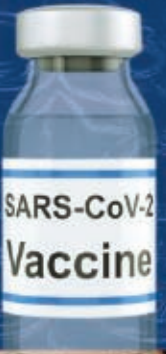




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# Diweddariad am y brechlyn Vaccination Update



*Cylchlythyr Wythnosol* Weekly Newsletter

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## Weekly Progress (16 - 23 August)

We have vaccinated 89% of the Health Board adult population with first doses and now have 85% of our over 18s fully vaccinated with two doses.

### Vaccinating 16 and 17 year olds



This week we are vaccinating 16 and 17 year olds. Initial appointments will take place on 23rd, 24th and 25th August, with further clinics arranged for those unable to attend their original appointment.

We want to ensure no one is left behind as we work to vaccinate all over-16s. If you haven't received your invitation, or are unable to make your appointment, please contact the booking centre on **0300 303 1373**.

Health Minister Eluned Morgan issued a statement encouraging everyone to take up their offer of a COVID vaccine. She said: *Our vaccination programme is world-leading, but we know that there are still some people who have yet to take up the offer of a vaccine. We are particularly keen to ensure that young people, including those over 16s who are now eligible for the vaccine, take up the offer so that they are at lower risk of the effects of coronavirus now that they are able to socialise more.*

*The vaccine is our best possible protection against coronavirus.*

### Thank you to our young people!

Almost eight in ten people age 18-29 years old, in the Aneurin Bevan Health Board area, have already come forward to be vaccinated. This fantastic figure makes our Health Board one of the leaders across Wales for vaccination uptake in that age group with four of our boroughs in the top five local authorities nationally.

If you are one of the few that are yet to be vaccinated, it's not too late. Please phone our booking centre on **0300 303 1373**. By having the vaccine, you can help protect yourselves, your loved ones and your community.

## VACCINATION FIGURES

(up to 23/08/2021)

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

**849,631**

Total 1st dose **435,913**

Total 2nd dose **413,718**

Age 65 years and over



Group 6 (at risk)



Age 60-64 years



Age 55-59 years



Age 50-54 years



Age 40-49 years



Age 30-39 years



Age 18-29 years





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Thank you for your continued support.  
*Together we will help keep Gwent safe.*

## COVID-19 vaccinations, pregnancy and breastfeeding



Pregnant women, women who are trying to get pregnant and women who are breastfeeding are being encouraged to get their COVID-19 vaccinations. This is in line with JCVI guidance, which states that all pregnant women, women who are trying to get pregnant and women who are breastfeeding should be offered the COVID-19 vaccination, to protect themselves and their babies from the risks of COVID-19.

Most pregnant women who get COVID-19 are not seriously ill. However, there is a small risk of serious illness for mother and baby, such as needing intensive care admission and premature birth. These risks are higher later in pregnancy and in women who have underlying health conditions.

Vaccination is the best way to protect against these known risks of COVID-19. The JCVI advises that pregnant women should receive the Pfizer/BioNTech or Moderna MRNA vaccines, as these vaccines have been more widely used for pregnant women in other countries and there are no safety concerns. However, pregnant women who have had their first dose of the Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine and did not have any serious side effects are advised to have a second dose. The COVID-19 vaccines that we are using in the UK are not 'live' vaccines and so cannot cause COVID-19 infection in women or their babies.

There is no evidence that COVID-19 vaccinations affect fertility for either men or women. Women who are trying to become pregnant do not need to avoid pregnancy after vaccination.

If you are pregnant and would like to discuss any concerns regarding COVID-19 vaccinations, please talk to your Midwife, or a Medic at one of our Mass Vaccination Centres. Further information is also available at: <https://www.rcog.org.uk/en/guidelines-research-services/coronavirus-covid-19-pregnancy-and-womens-health/covid-19-vaccines-and-pregnancy/covid-19-vaccines-pregnancy-and-breastfeeding/>



## Newport's Goldie Lookin Chain - Get the Jab Done

A new single highlighting the importance of getting the Covid-19 vaccination has been released by Newport rap group Goldie Lookin Chain. The video, in typical GLC satirical style, demonstrates how safe and easy it is to "get the jab done", with lyrics such as "I've got 99 problems but a jab ain't one". The band have been fully vaccinated and are keen to encourage others to do the same. GLC's Rhys says "until we're all protected, no one is protected".

The full video can be viewed at <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=75gvO5ttrWg&feature=youtu.be>

For information and to apply for the NHS Covid Vaccination Passport, please visit: <https://gov.wales/get-nhs-covid-pass-show-your-vaccination-status-travel>

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/>

**If you are age 16 and over and still haven't received your vaccination, it's not too late! Call 0300 303 1373**