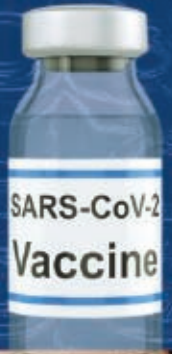


# Diweddariad am y brechlyn Vaccination Update



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## Weekly Progress (31 August - 6 September)

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.

### Third Covid-19 vaccine for clinically vulnerable

1st September's announcement and recommendations from the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisations, we will be offering a third primary dose of the COVID-19 vaccination to individuals aged 12 years and over with severe immunosuppression, due to underlying health conditions or medical treatment.

We would like to assure our residents that we will be working with our medical teams in Primary and Secondary Care to ensure we identify those eligible for a third primary dose, and offer them an appointment over the next few weeks. We ask that if you feel you meet the criteria for a third primary dose as outlined by the JCVI, that you contact our vaccination team on 0300 303 1373 as soon as possible. Our team will be on hand to take all relevant details and then link with your clinician to confirm your position.

For further information on the announcement and the set criteria, please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/third-primary-covid-19-vaccine-dose-for-people-who-are-immunosuppressed-jcvi-advice/joint-committee-on-vaccination-and-immunisation-jcvi-advice-on-third-primary-dose-vaccination>

Anyone who is aged 16 years and above, or it has been 8 weeks since your first dose, you can now walk in to any of our vaccination clinics to receive your vaccination.

To find out where and when our upcoming clinics are, please visit: <https://abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/not-vaccinated-yet/>

**Call 0300 3031373 to book an appointment.**

#### Young people turning 16 years old

We can confirm that as young people turn 16 years old, we will be contacting them to invite them for vaccination by letter.

## VACCINATION FIGURES

(up to 06/09/2021)

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

**862,564**

Total 1st dose **444,810**  
Total 2nd dose **417,754**

Age 60 years and over



Group 6 (at risk)



Age 55-59 years



Age 50-54 years



Age 40-49 years



Age 30-39 years



Age 18-29 years



Age 16-17 years



## Updated JCVI Announcement re: 12-15 year olds

Following Friday's announcement and recommendations from the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisations regarding the vaccination of children aged 12 to 15 who have certain underlying health conditions, the criteria has been extended and now covers; haematological malignancy, sickle cell disease, type 1 diabetes, congenital heart disease and other health conditions as described below.

We would like to assure our residents that we will be contacting those who meet the new extended criteria and are therefore eligible for vaccination to offer an appointment over the next few weeks. We ask that you do not contact us to request an appointment, but we do ask that you ensure your or your child's details held with your GP Practice are up-to-date. We will aim to notify all individuals at least one week prior to their appointment and letters will be sent to your registered home address held with your GP.

For further information, please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/jcvi-statement-september-2021-covid-19-vaccination-of-children-aged-12-to-15-years/jcvi-statement-on-covid-19-vaccination-of-children-aged-12-to-15-years-3-september-2021>

### Aged 12 - 15 Increased Risk Covid-19 Vaccination Clinics

Aneurin Bevan University Health Board has been offering the Covid-19 Vaccination to the below groups of individuals aged 12 - 15, over the last couple of weeks, through bespoke clinics. Parents/guardians need to contact the booking centre if they meet this criteria and haven't yet received an invitation.

Individuals aged 12 year or above at higher risk of severe COVID-19 infection.

This includes those with:

- Severe neuro-disability and/or neuromuscular conditions that compromise respiratory function. This includes conditions (such as cerebral palsy, autism and muscular dystrophy) that may affect swallowing and protection of the upper airways leading to aspiration, and reduce the ability to cough and resulting overall in increased susceptibility to respiratory infections
- Children and young adults with learning disability (LD), including:
  - Individuals with Down's syndrome
  - Those who are on the learning disability register
  - Those with profound and multiple learning disabilities (PMLD) or severe LD
- Immunosuppression due to disease or treatment, including:
  - Patients undergoing chemotherapy leading to immunosuppression, patients undergoing radical radiotherapy, solid organ transplant recipients, bone marrow or stem cell transplant recipients, HIV infection at all stages or genetic disorders affecting the immune system e.g. IRAK-4, NEMO, complement disorder, SCID
  - Individuals who are receiving immunosuppressive or immunomodulating biological therapy including, but not limited to, anti-TNF, alemtuzumab, ofatumumab, rituximab, patients receiving protein kinase inhibitors or PARP inhibitors, and individuals treated with steroid sparing agents such as cyclophosphamide and mycophenolate mofetil
  - Individuals treated with or likely to be treated with systemic steroids for more than a month at a dose equivalent to prednisolone at 20mg per day (or for children under 20KG body weight a dose of 1mg/kg or more per day)
  - Anyone with a history of hematological malignancy, including leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma and those with autoimmune diseases who may require long term immunosuppressive treatment.

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/>