

Diweddariad am y brechlyn Vaccination Update

SARS-CoV-2 Vaccine



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We're delighted to announce that we've started the COVID-19 **Booster Vaccination Programme and we'll continue with offering** first and second doses to eligible residents.

Covid-19 Autumn Booster Programme:

On Tuesday 14th September, the JCVI recommended that individuals who were eligible and received vaccination in Phase 1 of the COVID-19 vaccination programme (priority groups 1-9) should be offered a third dose COVID-19 booster vaccine with a minimum 6-month interval after the 2nd dose. An mRNA vaccine is recommended (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna) irrespective of which vaccine was given as a primary dose.

The priority lists include:

- Those living in residential care homes for older adults
- All adults aged 50 years or over
- Frontline health and social care workers
- All those aged 16 to 49 years with underlying health conditions that put them at higher risk of severe COVID-19, and adult carers
- Adult household contacts of immunosuppressed individuals

Our vaccinations teams will start to deliver booster doses to care home residents for older adults and their carers from Monday 20 September.



I'm eligible, but do I really need a booster? It is important that those eligible under the JCVI advice receive a booster dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, when they are called for an appointment, as there is the possibility of reduced immunity of their previous doses over time.

The vaccine continues to be the best way to prevent serious illness and the spread of COVID-19 and every eligible adult is urged to take-up both doses when asked and a booster dose, if eligible.

I'm eligible, how will I be called up for my vaccine?

We would like to assure our residents that we will be contacting all those eligible for vaccination to offer an appointment. We ask that you do not contact us to request an appointment, but we do ask that you ensure your 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 the registered home address held with your GP.

VACCINATION **FIGURES**

Up to 20/09/2021

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

873,680

Total 1st dose 449,378

Total 2nd dose 424,302

Age 60 years and over

Group 6 (at risk)

95% 92%

96% 95%

Age 55-59 years

93% 91%

Age 50-54 years

91% 89%

Age 40-49 years

87% 84%

Age 30-39 years

81% 76%

Age 18-29 years

80% 72%

Age 16-17 years

72% 4%

For further information on the Covid19 Autumn Booster Programme please visit: https://gov.wales/written-statement-covid-19-vaccination-jcvi-announcement-autumn-booster-programme

It has also been announced that **children aged 12 – 15, not already covered by JCVI advice should be offered a first dose Covid-19 vaccine**. Invitations will be sent by letter, to offer a vaccination clinic appointment. Please ensure records held at your GP are accurate.

For further information on the 12-15 First dose vaccine please visit: https://gov.wales/covid-19-vaccination-12-15-year-olds



Kim Waters, from Fields Care home, receiving her booster vaccine in Newport Centre

Immunosuppressed

Third Covid-19 vaccine for individuals who are severely immunosuppressed

Following a JCVI announcement 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. JCVI have advised that this group of patients should be prioritised for a third dose as they will potentially not yet have mounted sufficient immune response from their primary course of vaccination.

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

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/