

# Diweddariad am y brechlyn Vaccination Update



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## Weekly Progress (3 - 10 January)



In response to the challenge set by Welsh Government, we have offered Booster vaccinations to anyone eligible through a range of methods including letters, texts, online booking and walk-in options. In our Health Board area, working in conjunction with GP Practices, we administered 100,285 vaccines (first, second, booster) in the 14 days that we were open between 16th December and 31st December (closing 2 days over Christmas).

This month we will be contacting everyone who couldn't make their appointment by letter and/or text to re-invite them for their Booster vaccination, and to offer second dose appointments for 12-15 year olds who received their first dose at least 12 weeks ago (in October). Please make every effort to attend your allocated time.

### BOOSTER VACCINATION PROGRESS

(up to 10pm, 09/01/2022)

GROUP	TOTAL	% OF POPULATION
Age 80 and over	25,644	89.2%
75-79 years	21,207	89.7%
70-74 years	29,239	89.4%
65-69 years	28,688	87.9%
60-64 years	32,307	85.2%
55-59 years	37,169	82.6%
50-54 years	34,840	78.4%
40-49 years	51,730	68.3%
30-39 years	43,211	51.7%
18-29 years	34,818	40.4%
At risk groups	52,358	76.4%

### A statement from the Health Minister

Health Minister Eluned Morgan issued a statement about the vaccination Booster programme, she said, "The response from the public has been outstanding and we want to thank everyone who kept their appointment and accepted the offer of their booster."

A huge thank you also goes to our NHS Wales teams, their partner organisations and all volunteers who have worked tirelessly through such a busy time to deliver this monumental task.

Over the Christmas period we were pleased to see an increase in people coming forward to receive their first and second doses of the vaccine. Thank you to everyone who is still coming forward to get vaccinated."

## NEW JCVI vaccination advice for children and young people

Children aged 5 to 11, who are in a clinical risk group or who are a household contact of someone (of any age) who is immunosuppressed, will be offered a primary course of vaccination. Work is underway to identify residents within this group and they will receive a formal invitation letter to attend clinic by the end of January/beginning of February.

### Boosters

The JCVI has advised that booster vaccinations should be offered to persons aged 16 to 17 years; 12 to 15 who are in a clinical risk group or who are a household contact of someone (of any age) who is immunosuppressed; and 12 to 15 years who are severely immunocompromised and who have had a third primary dose. Appointment letters will be sent in the post when groups become eligible.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/jcvi-issues-new-vaccination-advice-for-children-and-young-people>

## Covid-19 Booster Vaccination FAQs

**When will I receive my booster vaccine?**

**I can't make my appointment due to having Covid - what shall I do?**

**I haven't had a first dose vaccination, can I just walk in to a vaccination centre?**

You can find answers to all of these questions, and more, on the Booster Vaccination FAQ page on our website at <http://abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/covid-19-vaccination-faqs/>

**Pregnant women can attend our vaccination centres without an appointment for any of their vaccinations**



If you are over 20 weeks pregnant, please walk to the front of the queue, make yourself known to staff and you will be fast tracked as a priority.

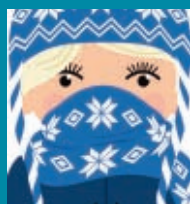
**Visit our website for a list of our Vaccination Centres and their opening hours:**  
<https://abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/our-vaccination-centres/>



### Road closure near General Offices, Ebbw Vale

From 4 January until 1 July 2022, a section of road will be closed near our vaccination centre at General Offices in Ebbw Vale.

The town's 200 year old Big Arch is undergoing restoration, therefore a section of Steel Works Road (B4485) that passes under the bridge will be closed, both ways, from Lime Avenue to Ebbw Vale Football Club. Diversion signs are in place.



**There may be queues at our Mass Vaccination Centres due to the high number of people coming through our doors - we apologise if there are delays, but please be patient and dress for colder weather in case you are asked to wait outside.**

NHS Covid Pass Information available at  
<https://gov.wales/get-your-nhs-covid-pass#section-70608>  
Or by calling 0300 303 5667

For further information on the Covid-19 Vaccination please visit:  
<https://abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/>

Public Health Wales Vaccination information:  
<https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/immunisation-andvaccines/covid-19-vaccination-information/>