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Diweddariad am y brechlyn Vaccination Update



Cylchlythyr Wythnosol Weekly Newsletter

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Weekly Progress (1st - 8th March)

We have now given a total of **228,843** vaccines (a combination of 1st and 2nd doses) across our Health Board area.



We have a busy week ahead and in addition to our existing vaccination centres, we will also be delivering vaccines at the Christchurch Centre in Newport for the next two weeks

GPs are continuing to vaccinate eligible individuals within priority Group 6 and have currently vaccinated 46.6% of people. This Group includes adults aged 16 years to 64 years with underlying health conditions which put them at higher risk of serious disease and mortality and relevant unpaid carers.

This week we will begin vaccinating people in the age 60 to 64 age group and everyone should receive a letter in the next 3 weeks. Please do not contact us, but wait for your letter to arrive which will contain full instructions.

Receive your vaccine in comfort

We want everyone to feel comfortable when they receive their vaccination so please let us know if you have any cultural concern, fear of needles, or anxiety. Our vaccination staff are very understanding and we have special discreet areas within our vaccination centres should you wish to be vaccinated in private.

Please remember to wear practical, loose fitting clothing on the day of your vaccination so it's easy to access your upper arm.

It is important to have both doses of the vaccine to give you the best longer-term protection. Keep your vaccine card safe and make sure you take it to your second dose appointment.

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

228,843

Total 1st dose **190,444**

Total 2nd dose **38,399**

(up to 08/03/2021)

VACCINATION FIGURES

(up to 08/03/2021)

Age 80 years
and over 94.5%

Age 75-79
years 95.1%

Age 70-74
years 95.3%

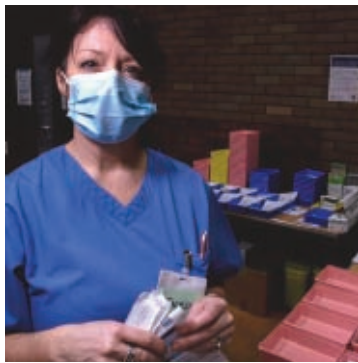
Age 65-69
years 91.8%

Group 6 46.6%



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.



If you are aged 65-69, or 72-79 and have not received your vaccine invitation

People aged 65-69, or 72-79, please let us know if you have not received your invitation for COVID-19 vaccination by completing the form on our website <https://abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/aged-72-79-and-not-received-your-invitation/>

If you are aged 70-71, aged 80 years and over, Clinically Extremely Vulnerable or in Group 6, and registered with a GP in Gwent, please contact your GP practice if you have not received your invitation.

Vaccination is available by appointment only.

More information about COVID-19 vaccinations in Gwent is available from our COVID-19 vaccination page <https://abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine>.

A huge range of specialties



We are so fortunate to have health professionals from a huge range of specialties working at our Mass Vaccination Centres. Catherine is a Dental Hygienist from Mayhill Dental and Specialist Centre in Monmouth, and is currently administering Covid-19 vaccines at our Mass Vaccination Centre in Cwmbran. She said *"I feel very privileged to be part of the Mass Vaccination Programme, and it's completely different from my usual role. Seeing so many grateful members of the public receiving their vaccinations makes it so rewarding."*

Thank you for your messages of support

We have received lots of thank you messages following vaccinations...

"I would like to thank the staff at Cwmbran Stadium who attended to me and my husband this morning. We travelled from Monmouth and were very impressed at the smooth processing and delivery of our vaccines. We felt very safe in the environment and look forward to receiving our second vaccination in time." Susanna Dent

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#!/viz/home/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
Extremely Clinically Vulnerable	GP Practices
Age 65-69	Mass Vaccination Centres
Age 60-64	Mass Vaccination Centres
Age 55-59	Mass Vaccination Centres
Age 50-54	GP Practices
Housebound	Mobile Teams
Group 6	GP Practices

Timing of second doses (difference of Oxford AstraZeneca & Pfizer)

The Mass Vaccination Programme has started the rollout of Pfizer second doses, where supply is adequate we are looking to bring the interval forward from 11-12 weeks. We are aiming to administer the Pfizer second doses to all those who received their first vaccine between December 7th and February 21st by the end of March.

For those who received the Oxford AstraZeneca vaccine - the dose interval showing the highest efficacy is 12+ weeks and will be used unless there are individual clinical reasons to use a shorter interval. The programme will commence the rollout of second dose AstraZeneca appointments from March 29th.