Bwrdd Iechyd Prifysgol Aneurin Bevan University Health Board

Diweddariad am y brechlyn Vaccination Update

sars-cov-2 Vaccine



Cylchlythyr Wythnosol Weekly Newsletter

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Weekly Progress (18th - 25th January)

The Covid-19 vaccination team at Aneurin Bevan University Health Board and our GP practices continue to work tirelessly on the biggest vaccination programme we have seen in our lifetime.

Across our Health Board we have now vaccinated a total of 48,841 people.



To date we have vaccinated residents from 89 care homes for older adults, and staff from 90 care homes for older adults across our Health Board. Older adult care homes we haven't yet been able to go to are continually being risk assessed and we will vaccinate those staff and residents as soon as it is safe for us to do so.

We have vaccinated over 20,471 people aged 80 and over and over 14,000 frontline staff.

Last week our fifth vaccination centre opened in Newport.

Our vaccination centre at Newport vaccinated a number of domiciliary care staff, as well as those aged over 80 years – they even played relevant music to the appropriate age cohort.

Vaccinating Veterans



Two RAF veterans, Ronald Maidment and Ronald Percival, both 93, received their vaccinations at an Aneurin Bevan University Health Board vaccination centre recently.

Mr Maidment joined the RAF in 1945. He said, "It was a nice surprise to see RAF here helping give out the vaccine". His daughter Karen added, "Dad was so pleased to see the RAF here and it's been very well organised. It's a day to remember in history".

Former RAF Sergeant Ronald Percival, served across the world with the RAF in his 22-year service. He commented, "*I really enjoyed my time in the RAF and it was wonderful to see them here today helping people get a vaccine.*"

Total number of people vaccinated across our Health Board (up to 25/01/2021)

48,841

Weekly Vaccination Figures (18th - 25th January)	
Care homes for older adults (staff and residents)	5,328
Frontline Health Staff	14,000+
Age 80 years and over	20,471
Number of Mass Vaccination Centres Open	5
Number of GP practices giving out the vaccine	72



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

The Week Ahead (25th January - 1st February)

With the good progress being made in vaccinating those age 80 years and over during this week, our GP colleagues will complete offering vaccinations to this age group. This has enabled us to speed up the delivery of the vaccine programme. As a result, we have been able to start inviting priority group 3; those age between 75 and 79.

This week we have a planned supply of 22,150 vaccine. We are also opening a vaccination centre in Newbridge this weekend.

If you receive an appointment, please do everything you can to attend as we are vaccinating thousands of people every week.

A Royal Thank You

The Duke of Cambridge, HRH Prince William, took the opportunity to thank Aneurin Bevan University Health Board's Mass Vaccination Team this week, in a telephone call with the Programme Director, Mererid Bowley.

Aneurin Bevan University Health Board's Assistant Director of Public Health, Mererid Bowley, represented the Mass Vaccination Team on the call, where she provided the Duke with updates on the success of the Mass Vaccination Programme. Mererid expressed her gratitude to the large team of people behind the Mass Vaccination Programme, as she told the Duke "We're fortunate that we have an amazing team of staff, and the team go above and beyond on a daily basis to vaccinate as quickly and as safely as possible."

Mererid praised the 300 staff members who have volunteered to work extra hours on evenings and weekends, as well as thanking our Local Authority partners who have also deployed staff to help the programme.

HRH Prince William was full of praise for the Health Board's Mass Vaccination Team, where he ended the call by offering some words of gratitude to them. He said: "You're doing a fantastic job, all of you. I just wanted to say a huge congratulations to all of you and I know this has been an enormous effort for you all, even though the planning started last autumn. It's been a huge achievement and a huge challenge to roll this out in a Pandemic when everyone's dealing with all sorts of challenges. So, just a huge congratulations to your team for achieving such a big task and please pass on my best wishes to them."

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/ Figures for the week ahead (25th Jan - 1st Feb)

Planned vaccine 22,150 supply for this week



Mobile Teams The mobile vaccination teams consist of professionals with varied health care backgrounds, including pharmacists, mental health nurses, dental assistants and more.

Team Operational Manager, Angela, praised her team highly "I'm in complete awe of this team. The effort they all put in is just incredible, and they are all so determined to vaccinate as many patients as quickly and safely as they possibly can. They are volunteering to work extra hours at short notice and vaccinating staff at the end of their shifts, just because they want to help".

We continue to develop our booking centre process and call centre. We are increasing capacity to improve the service we offer. We are aware the lines can be very busy at times.



We will continue to keep you updated, however due to a number of variable factors, such as the supply of vaccine, allocated plans can change at short notice.

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