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How does ABUHB propose to ensure that all members of the public in COVID-19 Vaccine Priority Group 6 are reached within the timescales set out by Welsh Government. Specifically this group states that those in the underlying health conditions bracket are included - one of which is defined as morbid obesity. NHS state that this is defined as a BMI of 40+ so I would like to know how you will be aware of members of the public that are of this measurement

The Health Board has plans in place to offer vaccinations to people on the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) priority groups 1-9, as set out in the Vaccination Strategy for Wales, subject to vaccine supply.

The Vaccination Strategy for Wales can be found via this link:

https://gov.wales/sites/default/files/publications/2021-01/vaccination-strategy-for-wales_3.pdf

Weekly updates are available via the link below on how we are rolling out the programme in the ABUHB area using a blended model of delivery involving mass vaccination centres and GP Practices:

<https://abuhb.nhs.wales/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/>

The Health Board is currently focussing on priority groups 1-4 and expect to complete this cohort by mid-February, subject to vaccine supply. We are using GP records to identify eligible people in each priority group, including group 6, where factors such as BMI would be recorded. Patients would need to ensure that their BMI is properly coded in the GP record by contacting their GP.