

COVID-19 vaccinations programme update

Please see the picture below which explains who is in which group, and the order of vaccination priority.

Groups nearing completion: We have now vaccinated significantly in excess of 90% in each of the first 4 vaccination groups. If you are in one of these 4 groups and have not had your vaccine but wish to do so, please call 07591 298318 between 8am-6pm Monday to Friday. PLEASE DO NOT USE THIS NUMBER FOR ANY OTHER REASON!

Home visits: our colleagues at CPFT hope to complete this group this week.

Now calling: Last week, a new group of 'shielding' or 'CEV' (Clinically Extremely Vulnerable) patients were identified. We are currently calling patients in this new shielding group and in **group 6**. Group 6 includes adults aged 16-64 years in an 'at risk' group and carers.

People deemed to be 'at risk' have any of the following conditions:

- a blood cancer (such as leukaemia, lymphoma or myeloma)
- diabetes
- dementia
- a heart problem
- a chest complaint or breathing difficulties, including bronchitis, emphysema or severe asthma (on a preventer inhaler)
- a kidney disease
- a liver disease
- lowered immunity due to disease or treatment (such as HIV infection, steroid medication, chemotherapy or radiotherapy)
- rheumatoid arthritis, lupus or psoriasis
- have had an organ transplant
- had a stroke or
- a transient ischaemic attack (TIA)
- a neurological or muscle wasting condition
- a severe or profound learning disability
- a problem with your spleen, example sickle cell disease, or you have had your spleen removed
- are seriously overweight (BMI of 40 and above)
- are severely mentally ill

Future programme: We currently have no control over the vaccine delivery schedule, nor the order in which we can give the vaccine. Therefore, if you are not in these first groups, you will be called, please be patient.

We administer any vaccine we receive within a few days of delivery. We often are given very short notice advising us as to when the vaccine will arrive.

Second vaccinations: All 'PCN hubs' have only been allowed to give out first appointments (and not second appointments) when you book for your first vaccination. Everyone will be offered an appointment to return to the place of their first vaccination for their second 'jab'. We are expecting to be enabled to book people in for the second jab very soon. PCN hubs have both the Pfizer and Astra Zeneca vaccines unlike other types of vaccination centre – this makes it more complicated!



Covid Vaccine

Who gets it first?

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1
65+ People who live in care homes for older adults and their carers
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2
80 Everyone older than 80 - and health and social care workers
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3
75 All those over 75
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4
70 People over 70, those who shielded and adults with Down's syndrome
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5
65 Everyone older than 65
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6
16-64 At-risk groups age 16-64 including some people with a learning disability*

*severe or profound learning disability
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7
60 All people age 60 or older
- 8**
55 People over 55
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9
50 People over 50
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+ Everyone else must wait