

COVID-19 Vaccination Toolkit

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A message to community leaders

Dear colleagues and community representatives,
We have produced this toolkit to provide you and your communities
with the most up-to-date information regarding the vaccine. We
would welcome trusted community settings and representatives to
support with undertaking informed face to face conversations with
families and residents to help address COVID fatigue, understand
their concerns around vaccinations and address misinformation.
This toolkit has been created to support by providing the
information you need to undertake these conversations effectively.
We are keen for this resource to undergo ongoing development, so
please share any feedback around what you would like to be
included by emailing nnccg.team.engagement@nhs.net

Nottingham City Council and Nottinghamshire County Council have also produced webpages to support community conversations around the COVID-19 vaccination.

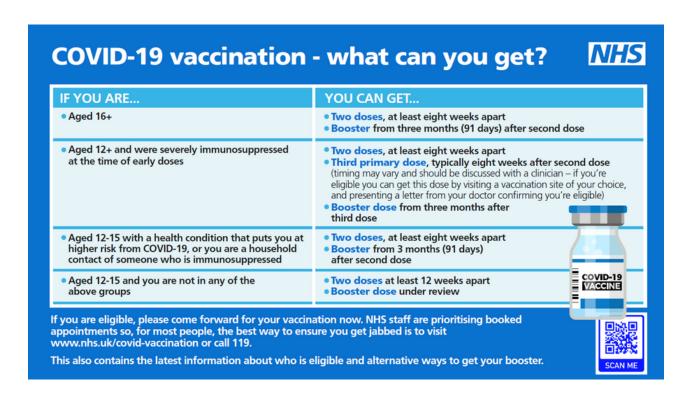
Kindly note that the information in this toolkit is accurate as of Monday 28th February 2022.

We thank you in advance for your assistance and support. If you would like to change your details or stop receiving these updates, please email nnccg.team.engagement@nhs.net

Kindest Regards, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire CCG

Key Messages

- 1.NHS data shows there are 6.3 million people who are overdue their booster by six weeks or more. You can book a booster jab on the **NHS website**, by calling 119 or walk into certain sites find your nearest walk in site **here.**
- 2. You can walk in or book an appointment 28 days after you tested positive for the virus. It is important you finish the course of the vaccine to make sure you have the best protection.
- 3. Those who have not yet taken up the offer of a first or second dose can book an appointment **online**, by calling 119 or walk into certain sites find your nearest walk in site **here**.



Key updates

5 - 11 year olds

Children aged 5 -11 who are in a clinical risk group, or who live with someone who is in immunosuppressed, are being offered a Covid-19 vaccine in line with advice set out by the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI).

Eligible children include those with diabetes, immunosuppression, learning disabilities, and other conditions as agreed by national medical experts.

Children will be offered the Pfizer Covid-19 vaccine. Each vaccine is a third of the dose of vaccine that is given to older children and adults. This cohort needs 2 injections of the vaccine usually 8 weeks apart.

The local NHS is contacting parents and guardians by letter. There will be details provided in the letter about how to book an appointment. They may also receive a letter from their GP practice if they are offering the vaccine. If a person believes they are eligible but have not been contacted, they can contact their GP or hospital consultant to discuss eligibility and provision of an appropriate letter.

Information is available for parents or guardians who have any questions here. You can find out more information about the conditions which mean your child is eligible for this vaccination in the Green Book on <u>page 21-23</u>.

The Government have announced plans to offer the vaccine to healthy 5-11s in the coming months.

12 - 15 year olds

Children and young people aged 12-15-years-old are being offered vaccinations through school clinics. However, this cohort can also receive their jab at clinics held outside of school hours if they prefer.

Children and young people can book an appointment on the <u>NHS</u> <u>website</u> or by calling 119. They can also walk in without an appointment. The clinic times are:

Mansfield Vaccination Centre:

- Monday Friday 3pm-7:20pm
- Saturday and Sunday 8:20am-7:20pm

King's Mill Hospital:

- Monday Friday 8am 5pm
- Saturday 8am 1pm
- Sunday 8am 1pm

Forest Recreation Ground:

Monday and Wednesday 3pm-7.30pm



Spring vaccination

Many of the oldest adults, and therefore most vulnerable, will have received their most recent vaccine dose in September or October 2021. These individuals are at higher risk of severe Covid-19, and with the lapse of time, their immunity may reduce before autumn. Therefore, as a precautionary strategy for 2022, Joint Committee on Vaccinations and Immunisations (JCVI) advises a spring dose, around 6 months after the last vaccine dose, should be offered to:

- adults aged 75 years and over
- residents in a care home for older adults
- individuals aged 12 years and over who are immunosuppressed, as defined in the **Green Book.**

Locally, we are working on plans to implement this and we will share updates on this rollout in due course.

Living with COVID Strategy

From 21 February the Government is:

 Removing the guidance for staff and students in most education and childcare settings to undertake twice weekly asymptomatic testing.

From 24 February the Government will:

- Remove the legal requirement to self-isolate following a
 positive test. Adults and children who test positive will continue
 to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other
 people for at least 5 full days and then continue to follow the
 guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on
 consecutive days.
- No longer ask fully vaccinated close contacts and those aged under 18 to test daily for 7 days, and remove the legal requirement for close contacts who are not fully vaccinated to self-isolate.
- End self-isolation support payments, national funding for practical support and the medicine delivery service will no longer be available.
- End routine contact tracing. Contacts will no longer be required to self-isolate or advised to take daily tests.
- End the legal obligation for individuals to tell their employers when they are required to self-isolate.
- Revoke The Health Protection (Coronavirus, Restrictions) (England) (No. 3) Regulations.

From 24 March, the Government will:

 Remove the COVID-19 provisions within the Statutory Sick Pay and Employment and Support Allowance regulations.

From 1 April, the Government will:

- Remove the current guidance on voluntary COVID-status certification in domestic settings and no longer recommend that certain venues use the NHS COVID Pass.
- Update guidance setting out the ongoing steps that people with COVID-19 should take to minimise contact with other people.
 This will align with the changes to testing.
- No longer provide free universal symptomatic and asymptomatic testing for the general public in England.
- Consolidate guidance to the public and businesses, in line with public health advice.
- Remove the health and safety requirement for every employer to explicitly consider COVID-19 in their risk assessments.
- Replace the existing set of 'Working Safely' guidance with new public health guidance.

To read the full guidance, visit this webpage.

We need your help

Vaccination Q&A clinics

We are setting up vaccination Q+A clinics in the community where people can walk in and have a chat with an expert. It is a chance to address any concerns or worries to ensure citizens are fully informed on the vaccination. Should citizens decide to have the vaccine, there is also an offer to support booking an appointment if English is their second language or for those who are digitally excluded. There is no obligation of having a vaccine.

The Q+A clinics can be popped up in the majority of settings and can be generic in nature or can target specific communities/diverse groups. We are looking to enhance these clinics by encompassing community trusted voices and we are happy to support community leaders to run their own Q+A clinic with a registered health care professional present.

If you would like a vaccination Q+A clinic hosted within your community, please get in touch nnccg.team.engagement@nhs.net

Stay updated with the COVID-19 vaccines

For a full list of the vaccination sites, you can visit: <u>How to get</u> your vaccination - NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire <u>CCG (nottsccg.nhs.uk)</u>

To read about the COVID-19 vaccinations including guidance on allergies and for those who are of childbearing age, pregnant or breastfeeding, visit this **NHS website**.

COVID-19 vaccination in pregnancy:

Vaccination remains the best way to protect against the known risks of COVID-19 in pregnancy for both mother and baby, including admission to intensive care and premature birth.

Those who are pregnant can access a vaccination by:

- Booking online via the **NHS website**
- Attending an Antenatal clinic (Sometimes available within antenatal clinic ie at the same time as when you have a scan or an appointment with a consultant/midwife in hospital)
- Walk-in offer at Forest Recreation Ground and Mansfield vaccination centre (with a fast queue for those who are immunosuppressed and those who are pregnant)

A local GP surgery

Frequently Asked Questions and pre-recorded videos of previous Q+A sessions on vaccination and pregnancy, breastfeeding and fertility can be found on the <u>CCG website</u>.

Resources are available to encourage uptake of the vaccine for those who are pregnant including <u>a poster to address concerns</u> and <u>an information sheet and decision aid.</u>

What happens on the day?

When you arrive at the site to be vaccinated, you will be asked to clean your hands with sanitiser. You will be provided with a new face mask and asked to wear it during your visit. Social distancing will also be in place.

Questions will be asked about your medical history and it is important that you inform staff if you are pregnant or if you have ever had a severe allergic reaction in the past.

The vaccine will be given as an injection into your upper arm by a trained professional and you may be asked to wait for 15 minutes after having your vaccination.

You will be given a record card. Keep this safe.

According to <u>Government guidelines</u>, you should not attend a vaccine appointment:

- if you are self-isolating
- if you are waiting for a COVID-19 test
- or within 4 weeks of having a positive COVID-19 test.

For more information on what happens at your appointment can be accessed here: What happens at your appointment - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

What happens after receiving your vaccination?

Plan to attend your second appointment if you have not already and be ready to book your booster for three months after your second.

It is important you receive both doses of the COVID-19 vaccination. The 1st dose should give you some protection from 3 or 4 weeks after you've had it. But you need 2 doses for stronger and longer-lasting protection.

If you are aged 16 and over and have had your first dose 56 days (8 weeks) ago, you can walk in to our sites for your second dose without an appointment. Find your nearest sites on www.nhs.uk/grab-a-jab.

Information has been produced to inform you of what you can expect following your vaccination including the next steps after your first vaccine, potential side effects and information on the protection received from the vaccination. You can access this information on the **Government website.**

Progress across Nottingham and Nottinghamshire

Latest figures show in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire 2,082,669 vaccinations have been administered since the start of the programme.

- 84.7 per cent of over 18s have now received 2 doses.
- 65.8 per cent of 18-29-year-olds have had two doses.
- 90.5 per cent of those aged 30 and over have had two doses.
- 59.1 per cent of 12-15-year-olds in Nottingham and Nottinghamshire have had one dose of the vaccine.
- 66.9 per cent of over 18s have had a booster dose.

You can access the latest local and national vaccination statistics on this **NHS website.**

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Visit our website for <u>Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)</u> with further information.

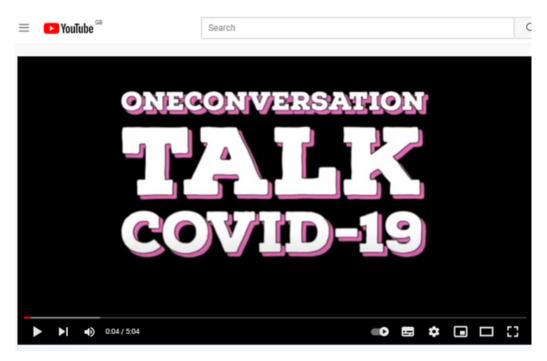
Accessible Information

Information on the COVID-19 vaccination and the booking process can be accessed on our **CCG website** in various languages.

A resource kit with information available in the most commonly spoken languages for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire can be accessed here: **Resource kit: COVID-19 vaccinations**(mailchi.mp)

Translated leaflets are available for the <u>guide for adults on the</u> <u>COVID-19 vaccination</u>, the guide for all <u>women of childbearing</u> <u>age</u>, <u>pregnant or breastfeeding</u>, <u>a guide for eligible children</u> and <u>what to expect after a vaccination</u>.

Information in British Sign Language (BSL) can also be accessed **here.**



A short film to support people with a learning disability and autistic people to get the Covid-19 vaccination, busting the myths, showing how easy it is to get your vaccination and top tips for staying safe.

Information regarding the COVID-19 vaccine can be accessed in an <u>easy to read format in different languages</u>. <u>An easy read</u> <u>guide for at risk children and young people</u> can be accessed on the Government website.

Easy read information can be accessed on:

What is Coronavirus
Who can catch Coronavirus
Who can get very poorly
What is the vaccine
Risks of not having the vaccine
Having the vaccine
After the vaccine

Down's Syndrome Association have produced an <u>easy read guide</u> on the COVID-19 vaccinations.

<u>A collection of videos</u> are available on the COVID-19 vaccine in Gujarati, Sylheti, Tamil, Urdu and Punjabi. A further collection of videos on the COVID-19 vaccine is available in multiple languages here.

A collection of videos have also been produced in multiple languages discussing the importance of **COVID-19 vaccinations and diabetes.**

<u>Watch this video</u> of Amarjit explaining in Punjabi why she has received the COVID-19 vaccination in Nottingham.

<u>Watch this video</u> of Dr Nighat Arif explain what to expect when going for your COVID vaccine in Urdu and Punjabi.

Other key resources

The British Islamic Medical Association position on the COVID-19 vaccinations

After consulting with experts, the British Islamic Medical Association (BIMA) has recommended the Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine, the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine and the Moderna vaccine for eligible individuals in the Muslim community for protection against COVID-19 when used according to MHRA authorisation. Read their full statements on the Pfizer/BioNTech and the COVID-19 vaccine, the COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca and the COVID-19 vaccine Moderna.

BIMA have also addressed some of the myths around the COVID-19 vaccine. You can read more on about this on the <u>British</u> Islamic Medical Association website.

Further enquiries

The CCG is working closely with the local councils during the pandemic. The County Council are supporting us with managing requests for information and assistance related to the vaccine rollout so if you have any questions that are not answered by the information here please contact enquiries@nottscc.gov.uk or call 0300 500 80 80.