

Vaccination Information

Vaccines are safe and effective. Getting vaccinated is the best way of protecting yourself and others against serious illness from COVID-19



People aged 16 and over can get a first, second and booster dose of a vaccine.

After you have had the first dose you will be invited for your second appointment. Your next appointment should be around 8 to 12 weeks later.

Although the first dose will give you good protection, you need the second dose and a booster jab to get longer lasting protection.



If you are pregnant, you may be at higher risk of being unwell with COVID-19. You can be vaccinated against COVID-19 during pregnancy to protect you and your baby. The vaccines cannot give you or your unborn baby the Covid-19 virus. Experts advise that it is safe to have the vaccine if you are breastfeeding your baby. The vaccine will not affect your fertility.



The NHS is offering the COVID-19 vaccine to children and young people aged 12 to 15 years.

Children can get a first dose of the vaccine from the day they turn 12.

All children can get a second dose from 12 weeks after they had their first dose (8 weeks if at high risk).

If your child has tested positive for COVID-19 and is not at high risk from COVID-19, they need to wait 12 weeks before they can have a COVID-19 vaccine.



Some children aged 5 to 11 can get two doses of the COVID-19 vaccine if either:

- they have a condition that means they're at high risk of getting seriously ill from COVID-19
- they live with someone who has a weakened immune system

The JCVI has advised a non-urgent offer of two doses of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine to children aged 5 to 11 years of age who are not in a clinical risk group.

The NHS are preparing to extend this non-urgent offer to all children during April 2022.



The booster jab will ensure that you have the best protection from COVID-19 that lasts throughout the winter.

Everyone aged 16 and over who had a second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine at least 3 months ago can get a booster dose.

Some children aged 12 to 15 can get a booster dose if they have a condition that puts them at high risk from COVID-19 or live with someone who has a weakened immune system.

If you had a third dose of the COVID-19 vaccine because you have or had a severely weakened immune system, you can get a booster (4th dose) from 3 months after your third dose.



A third dose is for people with a severely weakened immune system and is different to a booster dose.

A third dose and booster dose (4th dose) of the coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine is being offered to people aged 12 and over who had a severely weakened immune system when they had their first 2 doses.

You'll usually be offered a 3rd dose at least 8 weeks after you had your 2nd dose.

Your doctor may suggest a different time depending on if you have any ongoing or planned treatment that affects your immune system.



Many of the oldest adults, and therefore most vulnerable, will have received their most recent vaccine dose in September or October 2021.

JCVI advises a spring (fourth) 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

BE CONSIDERATE. BE CAUTIOUS. BE KIND.



Wear a mask



Wash hands



Make space



Get vaccinated



Let fresh air in



Get tested & isolate