

Public Health GP Bulletin

Section 7a: Screening & Immunisations



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About this bulletin

The NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSE/I) South West Integrated Public Health Team has taken over responsibility from the NHSE/I South West Primary Care Team for collating and issuing a rebranded, weekly Public Health GP Bulletin. This weekly bulletin is the main method of communicating with practice managers covering the 579 practices in Bristol, North Somerset, South Gloucestershire, Bath & North East Somerset, Swindon, Wiltshire, Gloucestershire, Somerset, Devon, Dorset, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly.

The bulletins contain important public health information for practice managers on Section 7a screening and immunisation programmes, which are commissioned by NHSE/I. Content may include requests for information and deadlines affecting payments, as well as updates on issues relating to GP contracts.

Current issues and back copies of the bulletins and attachments are available on the NHSE/I website [here](#).

If you have any questions or wish to provide feedback, please contact the Integrated Public Health Team on england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net

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 - None

Key Deadlines

CQRS declarations for payment in the same month	9 th of each month	Via CQRS
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- **Items for all Practices**

Key Messages for Reception Staff – Flu Vaccination Eligibility Update

Following reported confusion over who is eligible for a flu vaccination at GP practices, we would like to reiterate some key messages surrounding eligibility to be shared with all GP staff.

Any queries relating this update should be sent to england.swscreeningandimms.nhs.net

Children’s flu vaccine

During the first week of November your local child health information service (CHIS) will be sending letters to families of 2 and 3 yr. olds reminding them of the importance of having their children vaccinated. The letter will ask the family to contact their practice to book an appointment if they haven’t already done so.

NHS England and Improvement GP Flu Workforce and Vaccine Stocks Survey September 2020

Dear all

A note of thanks to all who completed the NHS England and Improvement GP Flu Workforce and Vaccine Stocks survey last month. It is incredibly useful for us to have real time position statements from all practices across the South West to help inform next phases of planning.

On receipt of the information you supplied we have –

- Reported the feedback regarding vaccine stocks and supply to the national team to help inform planning and potential requirements in the South West,
- Reported findings to the regional Flu/Covid mobilisation group to help inform current position and inform future planning and communications,
- Have acknowledged the impact unexpected phased or delayed deliveries have had on local operational plans,
- Have followed up directly with individual practices who notified us of issues that were causing them significant concern.

Survey’s via Microsoft Forms we have found is a quick and effective method for capturing data and feedback from primary care services across the South West and we hope you agree this method is not onerous for fast return pieces and appreciate your ongoing

support in completing in the return times stated. If you do have any comments on the use of Microsoft Forms then please do let us know at england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net.

- **Items for Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire Practices only**

Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire School Aged Immunisations Pathways for 2020/21

We are pleased to share the pathways for school aged immunisations delivered across Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire by Sirona Care and Health CIC. The pathways document attached with this bulletin also includes the current community clinic schedule. Please note that this schedule is subject to change. If you have any questions about the school aged immunisation service, please contact Sirona Care and Health CIC on 01275 373 104 or by email: sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net.