

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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Key Deadlines

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○ Items for all Practices

Flublok Quadrivalent Vaccine PGD V01.00 - valid from 23 November 2020

Your team can now download a new PGD that has been authorised for the vaccination of patients registered with NHS medical practices in the South West of England.

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/info-professional/pgd/south-west/downloads/>

A new PGD has been authorised for a range of registered healthcare professionals to use:

- **Flublok Quadrivalent Vaccine PGD V01.00** - valid from 23 November 2020
Administration of Flublok Quadrivalent (recombinant quadrivalent influenza vaccine, QIVr) to individuals in accordance with the national influenza immunisation programme.

This is based on the existing *Inactivated Influenza (IM) PGD V08.00*, **but please note that:**

Flublok Quadrivalent does not have a UK marketing authorisation and is authorised for temporary supply in the UK in accordance with a [Regulation 174 authorisation](#). Whilst the product has been used in the US for several years, MHRA have a specific interest in the reporting of adverse drug reactions for this product, see <https://yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk/the-yellow-card-scheme/>.

Resumption of NHS Breast Screening for Self-referrers – FOR Information

As you will be aware, during the restoration of services following the initial coronavirus outbreak, NHS breast screening services temporarily paused taking self-referrals from women aged 71 and over. Following a planned review of this decision, screening of self-referrers has been resumed with immediate effect, and all services can once again accept self-referrals from women aged 71 and over who would like to continue to be screened at 3 year intervals. To ensure that this is as equitable as possible alongside those ladies aged 50-70 in the backlog for screening, self-referrers will be given any available short-notice appointments that have not been filled by the eligible cohort (50-70 year old cohort) or offered an appointment in due course.

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