

# 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](mailto:england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net)

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## Key Deadlines

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- **Items for all Practices**

### RCARS COVID-19 Newsletter 30.04.21

We are pleased to share up to date COVID-19 vaccination advice, please see document attached along with the one supporting document:

‘A guide to COVID-19 vaccination for all women of childbearing age, those currently pregnant or breastfeeding’

### Shingles Eligibility – New Poster

Please find a link to the new poster to show eligibility of Shingles demonstrating how everyone aged between 70 and 79 years is eligible for the shingles vaccine up to 79 years of age all year round. An updated version of the more familiar ‘wheel’ poster is also available here.

[Shingles vaccination: eligibility poster - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/94221/shingles_vaccination_eligibility_poster.pdf)

Some individuals who were eligible for the shingles (catch-up) vaccination programme may have turned 80 years during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and missed the opportunity to be vaccinated, either due to lockdown or because they were shielding at home and unable to attend their general practice. This cohort of individuals is likely to be very small and can still be offered shingles vaccine unless contraindicated, up to 31 July 2021. This temporary offer applies only to those who missed shingles vaccination because they were shielding and who turned 80 years of age during that period. It is only applicable to periods of time when lockdown or shielding was recommended.

### CQRS Reminder- 2021/22 Vaccination Services available for Sign Up

In issue **34a of Public Health Special Bulletin** that was circulated on the 27<sup>th</sup> April we provided the details of the Public Health Section 7a Services that NHS England and NHS Improvement (NHSEI) would like to commission from you for 2021/22 via Calculating Quality Reporting Service (CQRS).

The following 2021/22 services are now available for sign up.

### **Automated collection**

- Meningococcal ACWY (MenACWY) vaccination programme 21/22
- Meningococcal B (MenB) infant vaccination programme 21/22
  - Pertussis 21/22
  - Pneumococcal PPV 21/22
  - Rotavirus 21/22
  - Shingles 21/22
  - MMR 21/22
  - Hepatitis B (newborn) 21/22
  - Childhood 6in1 21/22

### **Manual entry**

- HPV 21/22

You have until close of play on **Friday 07 May 2021 to sign up** to these essential services that now form part of your core contract.

Sign up on CQRS will enable you to claim payment against these services and the first collection is on the 9 May, so sign up must take place by 07 May 2021.

If you miss the cut-off date, you will miss the first collection for the programmes listed above and you will have to manually enter your data.

If for any reason you are unable to sign up to these services, please contact us.

- For **BaNES, Gloucestershire, Swindon, Wiltshire and Dorset Practices** please contact the Public Health Commissioning team [phcontractssouthwest@nhs.net](mailto:phcontractssouthwest@nhs.net)
- For **BNSSG, Somerset, Devon and Kernow** practices please contact the Public Health Commissioning team – [england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net](mailto:england.primarycaremedical@nhs.net)

For full details of the 2021/22 vaccination services, changes to those services and supporting information please see the [Public Health Special Bulletin issue 34a](#).

### **CQRS - New payment method Childhood 6in1 for 2021/22**

The Childhood Immunisation Target DES on Open Exeter was retired on 31 March 2021 and a new vaccination and immunisation domain in the Quality and Outcomes Framework (QOF) will be introduced for 2021/22. The Childhood 6in1 21/22 service will be a £10.06 Item of Service (IOS) payment alongside the QOF.

Please note that Practices are still required to submit the Q4 2020/21 Childhood Immunisation Target onto Open Exeter by the 1 May 2021 (as per your normal deadline) and this will be the last submission.

For further information regarding this please visit the Childhood Immunisation Payments page of the Primary Care Support England (PCSE) website

<https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/services/gp-payments/childhood-immunisation-payments/>

## NHS Annual Influenza Vaccination Programme 2021/2022

Practices are reminded that information on the 2021/2022 NHS Annual Influenza Vaccination Programme and the vaccines reimbursed have been published

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/BW485-achievements-and-developments-during-202021-flu-season.pdf>

Please contact your preferred suppliers to ensure you have sufficient orders placed as **windows for ordering will close in the coming weeks**

The following JCVI-advised vaccines will be reimbursed as part of the NHS Annual Influenza Vaccination Programme for adults in 2021/22.

Those aged 65 years and over	Those aged 50 to 64 years	At-risk adults, including pregnant women, aged 18 to less than 65 years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• aQIV</li> <li>• QIVc/QIVr (where aQIV is not available)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QIVc/QIVr</li> <li>• QIVe (where QIVc or QIVr is not available)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QIVc/QIVr</li> <li>• QIVe (where QIVc or QIVr is not available)</li> </ul>

National uptake ambitions have also been included and are outlined in the below table, please ensure you have ordered to cover these or higher based on your previous year's uptake.

Eligible groups	2020/21 season uptake	2020/21 uptake ambition
Aged 65 years and over	81%	At least 75%
Under 65 clinical at-risk group	52%	At least 75%
Pregnant women	44%	At least 75%
Aged 50 to 64 years	34%	N/A
Children aged 2 and 3 years old	58%*	At least 75%

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