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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We are pleased to share up to date COVID-19 vaccination advice. Please find attached along with four further attachments for your attention.

**Primary vaccinations ‘catch-up’-System C – CarePlus**

We have been informed of a possible error in System C - CarePlus that may have resulted in some children requiring catch-up primary vaccinations being scheduled incorrectly for 4 in 1 (pre-school booster) rather than the 6 in 1 vaccine. The children that may be affected are those who have incomplete primary vaccinations and received Hib after the age of one.

System C are working to resolve the issue and have alerted regional teams that are on System C - CarePlus about the issue and have requested that CHIS providers run reports to identify children who have incomplete primary vaccinations and have had Hib after the age of one in order to establish whether they need additional vaccinations to provide them with full protection.

However, it is the responsibility of the healthcare professional to ensure the correct vaccine is being delivered at the time of the appointment. Please ensure that all records are checked upon vaccine administration for children who may fall into this cohort. Link to PHE’s [guidance on vaccinations of individuals with uncertain or incomplete vaccination status](#) can be found here.

If any issues are identified, or for any other reason relating to this issue, please email through to england.swscreeningandimms@nhs.net
Breast Screening: Uptake & Engagement

If you are planning on supporting screening uptake and engagement with your local breast screening programmes, please speak with your local programme, to check when your practice is due to be called, as COVID has caused some delays in timescales and invites may not be within the usual timescales. Programmes can be contacted at the below addresses:

Somerset  
Wiltshire  
Dorset  
Gloucestershire  
NE Devon  
West Devon  
South Devon  
Cornwall  
BNSSG

Som.bsu@nhs.net  
whc.wilts.bss@nhs.net  
dbsu@uhd.nhs.uk or dbsu.dept@nhs.net  
ght-tr.GlosBSS@nhs.net  
brascreening.enquires@inhealthgroup.com or INL.breastScreeningEnquiries@nhs.net  
plh-tr.plymouthbreastscreening@nhs.net  
sdhct.breastscreening@nhs.net  
rch-tr.mermaidcentre@nhs.net  
ABS@nbt.nhs.uk (put FOA Office Manager/Programme Manager in header)

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