

## Child / Young person Flu Vaccination Eligibility: Key Messages for all Staff

Please could the following messages be shared with all staff (in a team meeting if possible) to ensure that the correct information is available to and being shared by all.

#### Children and young people who are eligible for, and can be offered a flu vaccine in a GP setting

### All two- and three-year olds

From Friday 19 November, a second round of communications will be sent from the national call and recall system to all parents/guardians of eligible children yet to be vaccinated advising them to contact their GP practice to book a flu vaccination appointment. Most parents will receive SMS and email, or a letter and email where a valid mobile phone number is not available. This is in addition to local arrangements, so GP practices should continue with their usual call and recall activity for eligible children.

GP practices should ensure they have ordered sufficient vaccine to vaccinate 2- and 3-year olds with the aim of exceeding the 70% uptake target and achieving at least the levels of uptake achieved in 2020/2021. Vaccine can be ordered through Immform.

#### Age six months to 18 years and in a at risk category

Please invite all at risk children to be vaccinated as soon as possible. At risk children can receive their vaccination at school **OR** at their registered GP practice.

GP practices should ensure they have ordered sufficient vaccine to vaccinate at risk children with the aim of exceeding the 70% uptake target and achieving at least the levels of uptake achieved in 2020/2021. Vaccine can be ordered through Immform.

## Any child or young person (up to age 18) who is registered as a carer

Please invite all young carers to be vaccinated. Anyone who is in receipt of a carers allowance, a part time carer or the main carer of an older or disabled person, or a young carer, is also eligible for a flu vaccine from their registered GP. For example, a young carer looking after a disabled or vulnerable sibling or parent.

If the carer falls ill the welfare of the person/s they look after may be at risk. It is important carers are protected, so they can continue to give care to those they support and stay healthy throughout flu season.

# Children and young people who are <u>NOT</u> eligible for and should <u>NOT</u> be offered a flu vaccine in a GP setting

#### **School Aged Children**

If school aged children miss a vaccination in school due to absence, are home educated or decline the nasal flu vaccine due to the porcine gelatine content, they will be vaccinated later at a 'catch-up session'. Parents of children will be contacted with details of the catch-up clinic they should attend. Should a parent contact a surgery requesting a vaccination, please signpost them to the relevant provider. Please find contact details for providers and each area covered below.



Region	Provider	Address	Contact number	Contact email / website
Bristol, North Somerset & South Gloucestershire	and Health	Kingswood Locality Hub, Alma Road,	01454 863 764	Email: sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net Website: https://www.sirona- cic.org.uk/nhsservices/services/school -age-flu-vaccination/
		Kingswood BS15 4DA 3 Station Road, Pill, BS20 0BA	01275 373 104	
Bath & North East Somerset, Swindon & Wiltshire		Wiltshire Children's Community Services, 1st Floor Technology House, Unit 10 High Post Business Park, SP4 6AT	0300 247 0082	Email: Vcl.immunisations@nhs.net  Website: https://wiltshirechildrensser vices.co.uk/immunisation-service/
Cornwall	Kernow Health CIC	1st Floor Cudmore House Oak Lane Truro TR1 3LP	01872 221105	Email:  kernowhealth.schoolimmunisations@ nhs.net  Website: https://www.kernowhealthci c.org.uk/primary-care-services/school- immunisations/
Devon	Virgin Care Ltd – Devon	Immunisation Team, Agricultural House, Pynes Hill, Rydon Lane, Exeter EX2 5ST	0300 247 0082	Email: Vcl.immunisations@nhs.net  Website:  https://wiltshirechildrensservices.co.u k/immunisation-service/
Dorset	Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation	Acorn Building St Leonards Ho spital Ringwood Road St Leonards BH24 2DW	01425 891162	Email: dhc.immsenquiries@nhs.net Website: https://www.dorsethealthcare.nhs.uk /schoolageimms
Gloucestershire	Gloucestershir	Edward Jenner Court,	0300 421 8140	Email: GHC.Immunisation@ghc.nhs.uk



	Care NHS Foundation Trust	1010 Gloucester Business Park, Pioneer Avenue, Brockworth, Gloucester GL3 4AW		Website: https://www.ghc.nhs.uk/our -teams-and-services/immunisation/
Somerset	leam (Somerset	Mallard Court, Express Park, Bristol Road, Bridgewater, TA6 4RN	0300 323 0032	Email: somersetsaint@somersetft.nhs.uk  Website: https://www.somersetft.nhs.uk/saints-school-age-immunisation-team/