South West Public Health Section 7a Screening & Immunisations Bulletin

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ICARS Newsletter 28.10.22

Please find this week's ICARS newsletter attached to this email.

CURRENT SEASON FLU VACCINATION STOCK

CSL Seqirus have both aQIV and QIVc vaccine available to order for this current season should any providers require additional stock.

Delivery times depend on the volume and location but CSL Seqirus confirm that they are able to supply within a good timeframe; typically delivery will be made within 72 hours from receipt of an order.

Providers are asked to contact the CSL Seqirus Customer Service team, in the first instance, who will work with them on a case-by-case basis to support requests for additional vaccine orders.

CSL Seqirus Customer Services can be contacted at:

Phone: 0845 745 1500 Email: <u>service.uk@seqirus.com</u>

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 28th October, a second round of communications will be sent from the national call and recall system to all parents/guardians of 2- and 3-year-old 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-yearolds with the aim of exceeding the 70% uptake target and achieving at least the levels of uptake achieved in 2021/2022. 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 2021/2022. 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		Contact number	Contact email / website
	and Health CIC	•	01454 863 764	Email: sirona.sch- imms@nhs.net Website: <u>https://www.sirona-</u> <u>cic.org.uk/nhsservices/services/</u> <u>school-age-flu-vaccination/</u>

		5	01275 373 104	
Bath & North East Somers et, Swindon & Wiltshire	Virgin Care Ltd	Wiltshire Children's Community Services, 1st Floor Technology House, Unit 10 High Post Business Park, SP4 6AT		Email: <u>Vcl.immunisations@nhs.</u> net Website: <u>https://wiltshirechildren</u> <u>sservices.co.uk/immunisation-</u> <u>service/</u>
Cornwall	Kernow Health CIC		01872 221105	Email: <u>kernowhealth.schoolimmunisatio</u> <u>ns@nhs.net</u> Website: <u>https://www.kernowhe</u> <u>althcic.org.uk/primary-care-</u> <u>services/school-immunisations/</u>
Devon	Virgin Care Ltd – Devon	Immunisatio n Team, Agricultural House, Pynes Hill, Rydon Lane, Exeter EX2 5ST	0300 247 0082	Email: <u>Vcl.immunisations@nhs.</u> net Website: <u>https://wiltshirechildrensservices</u> .co.uk/immunisation-service/
Dorset	Dorset HealthCare University NHS Foundation Trust	Acorn Building St Leonards Hospital Ringwood Road St Leonards BH24 2DW	01425 891162	Email: <u>dhc.immsenquiries@nhs.net</u> Website: <u>https://www.dorsethealthcare.nh</u> <u>s.uk/schoolageimms</u>

Gloucesters hire Health and Care NHS Foundation	Business	0300 421 8140	Email: <u>GHC.Immunisation@ghc.nhs.uk</u> Website: <u>https://www.ghc.nhs.uk</u> <u>/our-teams-and-</u> <u>services/immunisation/</u>
School Aged Immu nisation Nur sing Team (Somerset NHS Foundation Trust)	Park, Bristol	0300 323	Email: <u>somersetsaint@somerset</u> <u>ft.nhs.uk</u> Website: <u>https://www.somersetft</u> . <u>nhs.uk/saints-school-age-</u> immunisation-team/

South West CHIS Pathway Documents

From the week commencing 31st October, the South West CHIS providers will be sending letters to parents/guardians of year 11 children who are missing one or more vaccinations. Pathway documents which have been previously shared outline where children can go to receive missing vaccinations.

Further Information

Back issues of these bulletins and attachments are available on the NHSEI website here.

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