

# COVID-19 vaccination programme: Schedule 3 – Payment 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026

Version 1.0



**This Schedule (COVID-19 vaccination programme: 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026) should be issued to Providers who participate in the COVID-19 Vaccination Site Sign-up Process and which are awarded a contract to administer COVID-19 vaccinations to JCVI Cohorts. It can be used in line with the Full Length and Shorter Form NHS Standard Contracts for non-Service Users (otherwise known as public cohorts)**

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A. Aligned Payment and Incentive Rules

Not Applicable
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## **B. Locally Agreed Adjustments to NHS Payment Scheme Unit Prices**

*For each Locally Agreed Adjustment to NHS Payment Scheme Unit Prices which has been agreed for this Contract, copy or attach the completed publication template required by NHS England, or state Not Applicable. Additional locally agreed detail may be included as necessary by attaching further documents or spreadsheets.*

*Templates for locally-agreed adjustments are available at <https://www.england.nhs.uk/pay-syst/nhs-payment-scheme/>*

<b>Not Applicable</b>
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## C. Local Prices

**THESE ARRANGEMENTS APPLY FROM 1 APRIL 2025 to 31 MARCH 2026  
TOGETHER WITH ANY EXTENSION OF THE COVID-19 VACCINATION  
PROGRAMME SCHEDULE 2A OF UP TO 12 MONTHS**

**[REGIONAL COMMISSIONERS PLEASE AMEND WHERE HIGHLIGHTED]**

1. The following applies to the financial contract management of this Contract [variation].
2. The Provider must comply in a timely, complete and accurate way with mandatory data flows in relation to financial and activity reporting.
3. **Payment arrangements**
  - 3.1. Subject to paragraph 3.2, from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026:
    - 3.1.1. The Commissioner shall agree with the Provider a payment for the delivery of COVID-19 vaccinations, which shall be based on the following expected activity:
      - 3.1.1.1 £7.54 which shall be payable to the Provider for administration of each COVID-19 vaccination commissioned under Schedule 2A (for the avoidance of doubt, this payment is not payable to the Provider in respect of COVID-19 vaccinations required by SC21.4 (or Schedule 2A, paragraph 8.6 which replicates the obligations in the Full Length NHS Standard Contract into the Shorter Form NHS Standard Contract) unless this is authorised and announced by the Commissioner. [This is mandatory – do not amend];
      - 3.1.1.2 Where a housebound service is commissioned, an additional payment shall apply of £10.00 per dose administered to housebound patients **(which for the avoidance of doubt, excludes Patients resident in Care Homes)** – this applies to

COVID-19 vaccinations only [This is mandatory – do not amend];

3.1.1.3 Where the Commissioner notifies the Provider in advance (including the timeframe to which this £2.50 payment shall apply), the Commissioner will pay an additional £2.50 to the Provider for the administration of each COVID-19 vaccination to each Patient where the seasonal influenza vaccination is not announced and authorised for vaccination by the Provider; and

3.1.1.4 The agreed payment for COVID-19 vaccinations between 1 September 2024 and 31 March 2025 (based on the Site Capacity) shall be £[insert], (which shall be paid in instalments to the Provider).

3.2. The payment arrangements shall be as set out at paragraph 3.1 unless the Commissioner notifies the Provider of a change to the payment arrangements on at least 49 days notice.

3.3. The Commissioner may, at its discretion for example, in the event of Surge (as defined in Schedule 2A) make additional payments to the Provider to support the administration of vaccinations in exceptional circumstances.

3.4. Reconciliation of the agreed payments provided by the Commissioner to the Provider shall take place in accordance with the Standard Contract and any payment guidance by no later than [insert dates] and which shall reconcile the expected activity against the actual activity delivered by the Provider. *[This should be no later than two months after the end of each vaccination campaign].*

#### 4. Conditions of Payment

4.1. Where additional services are commissioned and paid for in addition to the standard activity rate, the Provider must work on an open book basis in respect of accounting and reporting.

4.2. Payment in accordance with this Schedule 3 is conditional on compliance with Schedule 2A and in relation to COVID-19 vaccinations

under SC21.4 (or Schedule 2A, paragraph 8.6 which replicates the obligations in the full length NHS Standard Contract into the Shorter Form NHS Standard Contract). The Provider shall only be entitled to receive payment in respect of eligible Patients within the specified populations and where:

- 4.2.1. the Patient in respect of whom payment is being claimed was within one of the eligible JCVI Cohorts and that JCVI Cohort was announced and authorised by the Commissioner for the administration of the COVID-19 vaccination by the Provider, at the time the vaccine was administered;
- 4.2.2. the Provider has used a COVID-19 vaccine supplied and recommended in accordance with the COVID-19 latest advice; and
- 4.2.3. the administration of the vaccination has been recorded on the Point of Care System in line with Schedule 2A.

## 5. Payment Mechanism

- 5.1. The Commissioner and the Provider will agree in advance the total expected value in accordance with paragraph 3.1 and 3.2 and an appropriate phasing of payments across those periods. These values may be added to monthly payments due to the Provider for other services commissioned by NHS England, or may be paid separately. The Commissioner shall determine the payment method and shall notify the Provider within **[insert timeframe]**.
- 5.2. Where the Provider does not provide the level of expected activity and in the reasonable opinion of the Commissioner, the Provider will be unable to meet the expected activity by [insert], the Commissioner will adjust future instalments of the agreed payments to the Provider (which may include a reduction of wider payments under this Contract) or the Provider shall repay any overpayment as documented below:  
**[TO BE ADJUSTED LOCALLY: FOR EXAMPLE:  
Monthly OR  
[Insert date 2024] and [Insert date] 2026]**
- 5.3. Activity information to support the contract payments will be sourced from Foundry/federated data platform as described in Commissioner Guidance entitled Payments and reporting guidance for COVID-19 and



Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programmes for NHS Standard  
Contract holders and available on FutureNHS.



### D. Expected Annual Contract Values

Not Applicable
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## **E. Timing and Amounts of Payments in First and/or Final Contract Years**

**Not Applicable**

F. CQUIN

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