

## NHS COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAMME UPDATE

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We know that everyone is eager to find out when they will get their Covid vaccination and that this is an anxious time. The NHS is working very hard to invite people who are eligible to have their vaccination, as quickly as possible. If you are aged over 44 you can now book your vaccination through the surgery or the National Booking Service (NBS), online, or by calling 119 – booking slots for first doses are being regularly reviewed and opened up in line with current vaccine supply.

Please support us by ensuring your contact details are up to date, so we can contact you quickly when it is time to have your vaccination. We are contacting eligible people by phone, letter or text message – if you have already booked an appointment at a large vaccination centre, please tell us so we can update our records.

As soon as you are invited – please confirm your appointment date and time. You must attend all booked appointments to ensure that precious vaccines are not wasted and we can invite everyone as quickly as possible. It is important to have both your first and second doses to give you longer lasting protection.

Vaccinations are being delivered in specific vaccination locations in the community, so you may need to travel a short distance to your appointment – please speak to family and friends to support you with transport. You can also call the Coronavirus helpline who may be able to help with transport difficulties on: **0300 7906275**.

### You can get your COVID vaccination if:

- You are aged 44 or over
- you are at high risk from coronavirus (clinically extremely vulnerable)
- you are an eligible frontline health or social care worker
- you have a condition that puts you at higher risk (clinically vulnerable)
- you have a learning disability
- you are a main carer for someone at high risk from coronavirus

If you are aged 18-43, you will be contacted by the NHS when it is your turn and invited to book an appointment.