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CTM UHB COVID-19 Vaccination Update Headlines

The weekly vaccination update moves to monthly editions

After 57 issues of the weekly vaccination update, we are now at a stage in our COVID-19 vaccination programme to move this update to monthly editions. We will publish as close to the first of the month as possible. The next issue is due Friday April 1.

We will continue to bring you the latest on our social media channels (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram). Please follow us and encourage others to do the same. We will continue to respond to your queries and questions on social media.

Our COVID-19 vaccination pages will continue to be updated on our website. You can find the latest information here: <u>COVID-19 Vaccine Information - Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board (nhs.wales)</u>

Should there be any major changes to the programme or major JCVI announcements, we will produce special editions of the update or look at increasing its frequency alongside our digital updates.

COVID-19 vaccination offer for all 5-11 year olds

Following the JCVI's recommendation, Welsh Government has instructed us to offer the COVID-19 vaccine to **all** 5 to 11 year olds, (previously we were only offering the vaccine to children in this age group considered to be at 'clinical risk').

Our vaccination team are now working alongside Welsh Government and key partners on how we will deliver the vaccine to this age group.

We do not have a start date for this element of the programme yet, but as soon as we do, we will update everyone on our social media channels, our website, through the media and here in our vaccination updates.

You do not need to contact us at this stage regarding this programme. Please do not contact your GP about vaccination appointments.

You can read the JCVI's advice in full here: <u>JCVI statement on vaccination of children aged 5 to 11 years old - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

You can read Welsh Government's acceptance of that advice here: <u>COVID-19</u> vaccination of 5 to 11 year olds | GOV.WALES

COVID-19 Spring booster programme

Last week, (Monday, February 21), the JCVI, as part of its review of the vaccination programme throughout the UK, recommended an **additional spring booster dose** for our most vulnerable individuals. They are:

- adults aged 75 years and over;
- residents in a care home for older adults, and
- individuals aged 12 years and over who are immunosuppressed (as defined in the Green Book)

As with the 5-11 year old element of the programme, we are now working on our plans on how we will implement the spring booster. Working alongside Welsh Government and our key partners, as soon as the details are finalised we will update everyone.

There is no need to contact us at this stage regarding the spring booster; we are not able to tell you anymore than the above at this point.

Walk-in clinics for first, second, third or booster dose

All of our community vaccination centres are available for walk-ins for anyone aged 12+.

You do not need an appointment for first, second, third or booster doses.

Please do not think it is too late – it is not. Maybe you were unable to make your appointment for your second, third or booster – or you are now overdue your next dose – please come forward.

All we ask is that before you turn up, you check out our website (link below) to make sure you are eligible – that you have waited the right time between doses and accounted for the necessary time you need to wait after COVID-19 infection.

Please check that information here: <u>Walk-in vaccines - Cwm Taf Morgannwg</u> University Health Board (nhs.wales)

Please check on-line in the above link for precise opening times – but our CVCs are open Monday to Friday from 9:30.

Mountain Ash and Rhondda close to walk-ins at 5pm while Llantrisant, Bridgend and Merthyr Tydfil are open until 6pm.

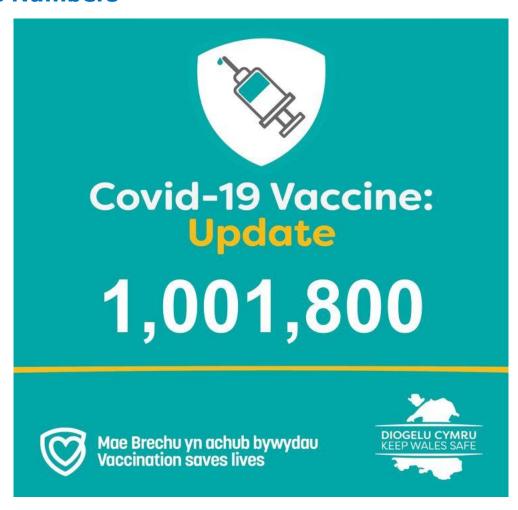
ID is not essential but it does help us speed up the process, and you might be asked for proof of age. Suggested ID would be a passport, drivers licence or a utility bill for proof of address.

You can still be vaccinated without ID. Any information we take off you is for health data only and is not shared.

CTM UHB's community vaccination centres are as follows:

- **Llantrisant** CVC (Llantrisant Leisure Centre, CF72 8DJ)
- **Bridgend** CVC (Ravens Court, CF31 4AP)
- **Merthyr Tydfil** CVC (Merthyr Tydfil Leisure Centre, CF48 1UT)
- Mountain Ash CVC (Cynon Valley Indoor Bowls Centre, CF45 4DA)
- **Rhondda** CVC (Rhondda Sports Centre, CF41 7SY)

The Numbers



Cwm Taf Morgannwg UHB has given 1,001,800 vaccines.

That total number is split by:

- 364,608 first doses
- 349,923 second doses
- 6,827 third primary doses
- 280,442 boosters

All Figures correct 00.01AM 01.03.2021.

The vaccination programme achieved a significant milestone last week, when vaccine number one million was administered. It took just 14 months for our teams to deliver one million COVID-19 vaccines to protect our communities. You can read more on our website here: One million Covid-19 vaccine administered by Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board - Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board (nhs.wales)

Thank you to our teams who have worked so hard to achieve this figure, and thank you to you as well for coming forward for your vaccines.

Other information:

For more information about vaccine safety, please check out Public Health Wales' FAQs: Click here https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/immunisation-and-vaccines/covid-19-vaccination-information/

Vaccination Advice Line There is a dedicated vaccination advice line. It is open 7 days a week - 9:00am to 4:30pm. The number is **01685 726464**.

There is also a dedicated email address: CTM.VaccinationEnquiries@wales.nhs.uk

Please note: The team cannot make, rearrange, or cancel Covid-19 vaccine bookings. They are unable to answer individual clinical questions or questions about Covid passports.

For more information on Covid Passports see here: <u>Get your NHS COVID Pass |</u> GOV.WALES

*Public Health Wales' summary of groups 1 to 9 is below: Group 10 is the remaining adult population (Under 50s).

