

NHS Flu Season 2021/22

21/22 flu season – On your marks, Get set, Go!

With many pharmacies starting as soon as they get their stock of flu vaccination in the next couple of weeks, some last minute things to make sure you have done/ know about:

1. Make sure you have updated your DoS and NHS profile to show you offer NHS flu vaccinations
 - a. This will become especially important when the pharmacy finder part of the NHS flu website goes live.
2. National Protocol, NHSE&I have confirmed that they are looking to have a National Protocol in place for the flu vaccination programme this year. A national protocol has already been used for the COVID-19 vaccination programme and could be used by pharmacies as an alternative to the PGD, where you will be able to use the skill mix flexibilities allowed by the protocol to provide additional vaccinators.
3. New face to face training dates in Southampton & Reading published – Sunday 12th September
<https://www.cpsc.org.uk/professionals/nhs-contract/advanced/nhs-influenza-vaccination>
4. PharmOutcomes module for NHS flu recording is now live. All electronic records should ideally be completed as you give the vaccination but must be completed within 1 working day). If you have any surgeries for which you are having to print out the records – let me know.
5. PQS PCN Domain - All pharmacies wishing to claim this domain will need to administer at least 30 flu vaccinations.
6. No further guidance yet on co-administration with Covid booster except for housebound, care home residents. The message from the NHS is if you have flu vaccine stock - get on with vaccinating patients as early as possible.



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