

Kent Adult Social Care Provider Bulletin



Friday 29th January 2021

Covid vaccine information aimed at Black, Asian and Ethnic Minority (BAME) communities

Please visit the link below to watch a useful myth-busting video created by Adil Ray OBE and celebrities from Black, Asian and Ethnic Minority backgrounds, aiming to counter misinformation shared regarding the vaccine:

<https://twitter.com/adilray/status/1353677950550495243?s=20>

<https://vimeo.com/497256677>

Vaccine booking details for frontline health and social care staff

Please find booking details attached and below the booking hubs available for frontline healthcare workers. Please forward to eligible staff within your organisation.

Who can book?

Covid-19 vaccination is available for all frontline health and social care workers, as defined here.

Frontline healthcare staff includes people:

- involved in direct patient care,
- who have frequent face-to-face clinical contact with patients,
- in independent, voluntary, and non-standard healthcare settings such as hospices, and community-based mental health or addiction services,
- working temporarily, including those working in the Covid-19 vaccination programme, students, trainees, and volunteers who are working with patients.

Non-clinical staff in secondary or primary care/community healthcare includes:

- non-clinical staff who may have contact with patients but are not directly involved in patient care, this group includes receptionists, ward clerks, porters, and cleaners.

Laboratory and pathology staff who are eligible:

- hospital-based laboratory and mortuary staff who frequently handle SARS-CoV-2 or collect or handle potentially infected specimens, including respiratory, gastrointestinal and blood specimens,
- cleaners, porters, secretaries, and receptionists in laboratories,
- frontline funeral operatives and mortuary technicians/embalmers.

(Staff working in non-hospital-based laboratories and those academic or commercial research laboratories who handle clinical specimens or potentially infected samples

will be able to use effective protective equipment in their work and should be at low risk of exposure and are not eligible in this priority group).

Frontline social care workers includes:

- people working in long-stay residential and nursing care homes or other long-stay care facilities,
- social care staff directly involved in the care of their patients or clients,
- others involved directly in delivering social care where they and/or vulnerable patients/clients are at increased risk of exposure.

(Young people aged 16 to 18 years-old, who are employed in, studying or in training for health and social care work should be offered a vaccination alongside their colleagues if a suitable vaccine is available.)

To book your vaccine

All vaccines are by appointment only. You can book on to any of the services listed below, but in line with government travel guidelines, please try to book close to your home or work base where possible. You will need to return to the same site for your second dose (12 weeks later) - please consider this when choosing a location.

Please bring your NHS number, ID badge (if you have one) and a payslip from within the past three months as proof of ID. If you cannot prove you are in the priority group, you will be refused a vaccine.

Please wear short sleeves or clothes which make having your jab easier, wear a face covering and observe social distancing. You must attend your appointment alone.








Please do not book an appointment if you have any [coronavirus symptoms](#). If you have had a confirmed Covid-19 positive test you should book a slot that is at least 28 days after the positive test or 28 days after symptoms started.

Site	Provided by	Instructions
Darent Valley Hospital, Dartford DA2 8DA	Dartford and Gravesham NHS Trust (DGT)	Booking portal for DGT sites: https://northkent.healthit.org.uk User guides = 1a DVH staff booking process, 1b DVH pre-screening questionnaire and record form and 1c Pfizer vaccine information (attached) Each person must bring a completed copy of the attached pre-screening questionnaire (1b) to the appointment and read the information for vaccine recipients (1c) before attending. If you have any questions, email dgn-tr.covidvaccinations@nhs.net Do not use the main hospital entrance. Head towards the Children's Resource Centre (CRC). Face the CRC building, there is a glass corridor on the left. The vaccination centre is at the end, on the left, behind the fenced-off storage container. Security staff will direct you from here.

<p>Aylesham Health Centre, Canterbury CT3 3BB and Sheppey Community Hospital, Sheerness ME12 3LT</p>	<p>Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust (KCHFT)</p>	<p>Booking portal for KCHFT sites: https://kchft.healthit.org.uk/patheks</p> <p>User guide = 2. KCHFT staff booking process (attached).</p> <p>If you have any trouble booking please phone 0300 123 3042 or email kentchft.ipchelp@nhs.net for booking help.</p>
<p>Medway Maritime Hospital, Windmill Road, Gillingham ME7 5NY</p>	<p>Medway NHS Foundation Trust (MFT)</p>	<p>Booking portal for Medway Hospital is: https://medway.healthit.org.uk/pathEKS</p> <p>For help with the booking system please email: medwayft.covax@nhs.net</p>
<p>Maidstone Hospital, Maidstone ME16 9QQ</p>	<p>Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust (MTW)</p>	<p>Booking portal for MTW sites: https://mtw.healthit.org.uk/patheks</p> <p>User guide = 3. MTW staff booking process (attached).</p> <p>For help with the booking system please email: mtw-tr.covidvaccination@nhs.net</p>
<p>William Harvey Hospital, Ashford TN24 0LZ and Kent County Cricket Ground, Canterbury CT1 3NZ</p>	<p>East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (EKHUFT)</p>	<p>Booking portal for EKHUFT sites: https://itx.ekhuft.nhs.uk/patheks</p> <p>User guide = 4. EKHUFT booking process (attached).</p> <p>For help please email ekhuft.opdcovid19vaccination@nhs.net</p>

If you have any medical concerns ahead of having the vaccine then we suggest that you discuss these with your GP.

For queries about your appointment once booked please contact the hospital.

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 1a. DVH staff booking process.pdf
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 1c. PfizerBioNTech vaccine information.
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 2. KCHFT staff booking process.pdf
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 3. MTW staff booking process.pdf

Adult Social Care Rapid Testing Fund

On 23 December, the government announced an extra £149 million to support the rollout of LFD testing in care homes. This additional funding will provide further help to protect residents and workers from COVID-19 and brings the total ringfenced funding for care settings to £1.3 billion, Kent County Councils allocation £4,685,580. This funding will be paid in a single instalment in January 2021. This grant can be used to cover expenditure from 2 December 2020 to 31 March 2021.

Kent County Council have received the fund and Grant Agreements are currently being sent out to care home providers, the grant agreement details the allocation of the fund and how to respond, care home providers have until Sunday 7th February to accept the fund.

For queries on the Infection Control Fund, please email:
infectioncontrolfund@kent.gov.uk

Provider Vaccination Survey

The Provider Vaccination Survey has now been updated and can be accessed via this link: [Provider Vaccination Survey](#)

We would like to hear from Providers in regards to whether they have received information of how their staff can access a Covid Vaccination; this will help us ensure that all eligible providers have been included.

Masterclass: Digital Care Homes – Digitally Connecting with Health, Social Care and Friends & Family



Wednesday 10th Feb 14:00 – 15:00

This masterclass will showcase current digital technology for care homes, provide top hints and tips for digitally connecting during Covid-19 and beyond.

Morfydd Williams – Executive Director for Digital Transformation Kent and Medway Clinical Commissioning Group

Tamsin Rudolph – Project Manager Digital Care Homes Design and Learning Centre, Kent County Council

To book, please email: louise.faulkner@kica.care