



Weekly Regional Bulletin
COVID-19 and Flu Vaccinations
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Key information, updates, and required actions for COVID-19 and flu vaccination programmes. For questions, please contact england.london-covid19voc@nhs.net

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1. 2026/27 Flu amendments – **FOR INFORMATION**

An amendment to the [national flu immunisation programme 2026 to 2027 letter](#) (“annual flu letter”) has been made (published [here](#)) to reflect the following changes:

Community pharmacy delivery of flu vaccinations to children

To help support improvements in access and uptake, community pharmacies will be able to offer children flu vaccinations during the 2026 to 2027 flu season.

- **2- and 3-year-olds:** Community pharmacy service delivery for 2- and 3-year-olds will begin from 1 October 2026.
- **Children in clinical risk groups:** Community pharmacy service delivery for children in clinical risks groups (from 2 years to less than 18 years) will begin from 1 October 2026. Note that children in clinical risk groups from 6 months to less than 2 years cannot be vaccinated by a community pharmacy.
- **School-aged children:** Community pharmacy service delivery for school aged children who missed the opportunity to be vaccinated by SAIS providers will begin from 1 December 2026.

Full details of the service will be provided in the service specification, which will be published in due course.

People experiencing homelessness

In [June 2024 the JCVI advised](#) that people experiencing homelessness (defined as “rough sleepers and those using homeless hostels or night-shelters, rather than the broader definitions of homelessness”) should be offered a seasonal flu vaccine. It was agreed in March 2026 that those in this cohort aged 16 years and over should be included in the national flu programme from 1 October 2026. The [Influenza Green book chapter](#) has been updated to reflect this. Eligibility of children under that age is outlined in the original version of the [annual flu letter](#) and has not changed. NHSE will issue further guidance on the addition of this cohort in due course.

2. Vaccine allocation update – FOR INFORMATION

From Wednesday 10 June 2026, all new allocations (both generated through the Targeted Deployment Model (TDM) and uplifts requested by providers), will now be fulfilled in Nuvaxovid JN.1 rather than Spikevax LP.8.1. This applies to all provider types requesting additional supply above their campaign entitlement. Existing Spikevax allocations remain unchanged; only new allocations will be supplied as Nuvaxovid.

This change utilises Nuvaxovid's smaller 10-dose pre-filled syringe pack size to reduce wastage risk, enabling sites to order volumes more closely matched to their vaccination activity.

What this means for your site:

- Any existing Spikevax allocations already in your FDP Supply Dashboard remain unchanged and will be fulfilled as Spikevax
- All new allocations from 11 June will be covered by Nuvaxovid JN.1

Key reminders for Nuvaxovid JN.1:

- 9-month refrigerated shelf life at 2°C–8°C; suitable for sites with lower or variable demand
- Order quantities should be aligned to confirmed vaccination activity
- Do not use for allergy clinics; patients with prior COVID-19 vaccine allergic reactions should be directed to local allergy pathways per Green Book Chapter 14a
- A stocktake submitted within the previous 7 days is required before placing orders

Please review the Nuvaxovid [training guidance](#) before your next order.

3. Reminder: Spring 2026 COVID-19 Vaccination Campaign – Provider Survey about Vaccine Supply – FOR INFORMATION AND ACTION

There is still time to share feedback on the new provider-led vaccine supply model for Spring 2026. Please complete our short feedback survey by **6pm Wednesday 17 June 2026**. Your feedback shapes future improvements with previous responses leading to shorter delivery windows, better FDP walk-in tracking, and increased delivery capacity. The survey takes 10-15 minutes and covers vaccine ordering through FDP, the new provider-led supply model, stocktake processes, training, and overall campaign experience. All responses are anonymous.

Click [here](#) to complete the survey, or scan the QR code to complete the survey on your mobile or tablet:



All provider types are encouraged to respond, including GP practices, community pharmacies, vaccination centres, hospital hubs, and detained estates. Your responses are anonymous and will be used solely to improve future campaign delivery.

Thank you for your continued efforts in delivering the Spring 2026 COVID-19 vaccination programme.