



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. Urgent action required: Stocktake compliance – **FOR ACTION**

London's current stocktake compliance requires immediate action. **40% of providers are currently non-compliant**: 20% have not submitted a stocktake since the campaign began on 1 October, and a further 20% have not submitted one within the last 7 days.

All providers showing RED on the Supply Dashboard must complete and submit an accurate stocktake on FDP now.

Why this matters?

Completing stocktakes is a contractual requirement. Providers must submit a stocktake **at least once every 7 days** throughout the campaign. Accurate and timely stock and waste reporting also gives the programme visibility of stock across the network and enables appropriate replenishment through the Targeted Deployment Model (TDM).

Where a site is not compliant with stock and waste reporting, system controls can prevent vaccine orders, additional-allocation requests or replenishment from progressing. Since the campaign began on 1 October, **more than 300 providers have been blocked from automatic replenishment despite TDM identifying a need for additional supply**. This creates an avoidable risk to service continuity: sites that miss a replenishment run may need to wait until a subsequent run before receiving additional vaccine.

Provider responsibilities

In line with the service specification and programme requirements, providers must:

- maintain accurate forecasting and support the timely supply of COVID-19 vaccine;
- record all vaccinations promptly in the appropriate approved recording system;
- provide timely and accurate stock and inventory data through FDP;
- record waste accurately and as it occurs; and
- support stock forecasting, use and ordering as requested by the commissioner.

These stock reporting requirements also apply to vaccines ordered through the Supply Dashboard.

Action required now

If your Supply Dashboard is showing RED for stocktake compliance, please submit an accurate stocktake on FDP as a priority and no later than COP Friday. Providers should not wait until they require further vaccine: maintaining an up-to-date stock position is essential to keeping ordering and replenishment processes moving and avoiding disruption to vaccination services.

Please continue to monitor the Supply Dashboard regularly and ensure stock and waste records remain accurate and up to date throughout the campaign.

2. COVID-19 Vaccine Update - 5-dose pack of Spikevax XFG available to order **– FOR INFORMATION**

From Wednesday 28 October, you'll be able to order Spikevax in smaller pack sizes, in addition to the standard 50-dose pack. This is in response to feedback from providers about vaccine wastage caused by minimum order quantities, particularly later in a campaign or for smaller clinics.

What's changing

A single-vial, 5-dose pack of Spikevax is being introduced. Using this small pack option, you'll be able to order in quantities of 5, 10, or 15 doses.

This smaller pack has the standard Spikevax shelf life, so there's no change to storage or expiry considerations when ordering it.

First deliveries of the smaller pack size will arrive from Monday 2 November.

Ordering above 15 doses

For orders above 15 doses, you should initially continue to order in standard packs of 50 doses, in multiples of 50 (for example, 50, 100, or 150). You cannot combine a small pack (5, 10, or 15 doses) with a standard 50-dose pack to make up a different total, such as 55 or 60.

We may reduce this threshold over time, depending on demand for the smaller pack. If we do, we'll let you know, and the point at which you need to move from the small pack option to standard 50-dose packs may change from 15 doses down to 10 or 5 doses instead.

What to do

No action is needed ahead of Wednesday 28 October. From that date, you will be able to place orders for the small packs through the [Supply Dashboard](#) on FDP.

If you have any questions, please contact your [ICB](#) using the [escalation template](#) in the first instance.

3. COVID-19 vaccine delivery and estimated time of arrival (ETA) update – **FOR INFORMATION**

We know there have been some ongoing issues with vaccine deliveries and ETA information, and we want to give you a clear update on what's happening and what we're doing about it.

ETA sharing - how and when

ETAs are available from 6am on the day of delivery. These can be checked on the Movianto UK (MUK) Marketplace website, using the order number from the FDP Supply Dashboard. They are also visible on the FDP Supply Dashboard itself.

ETAs are regularly updated on the MUK website, and technical work is ongoing to ensure that when the ETA is updated on MUK's website, the updated ETA is also visible on the Supply Dashboard.

ETA misalignment between the Supply Dashboard and Movianto

We're aware that ETAs shown on the FDP Supply Dashboard have not always matched those shown on the Movianto Marketplace website, and that this has caused confusion and difficulty planning clinics around delivery times. Movianto are undertaking technical work to resolve this issue. We are currently aiming for this technical work on ETA alignment to be completed in early December, and we will provide further updates in due course, as and when they become available.

In the meantime, if you need to check a delivery time, the Movianto Marketplace website should be treated as the primary source for ETA information.

Delivery windows

Deliveries should take place between 8am and 5pm. Contractually, our logistics provider is required to complete all deliveries within this window and should not deliver after 5pm. You do not have to remain open past your normal closing time to wait for a delivery. If your site closes at 5pm, you are not obliged to stay open beyond that to receive a delivery that has not yet arrived. If your site happens to still be open after 5pm for other reasons, and a delivery arrives while you're open, you can accept it. If a delivery does arrive and is accepted after 5pm, please still escalate this to your [ICB](#) using the [escalation template](#) as deliveries should not be taking place after 5pm at all.

What to do if you experience an issue

If you experience a delivery issue, missing consumables, or an ETA discrepancy that isn't resolved by the above, please contact your [ICB](#) using the [escalation template](#) in the first instance. Alternatively, you can attend a [weekly drop-in session](#).

Further information about deliveries is available in the 'Deliveries and receipt of vaccine' section on page 35 of the [provider guide](#) available on the [V&S workspace](#).

We appreciate this has caused frustration for sites trying to plan clinics with confidence, and we're working to improve the reliability of this information.

4. Faith and Health Webinar: The 3Ts approach to vaccination engagement in Black African and Black Caribbean Christian Communities – FOR INFORMATION

Join the V&S Equalities team for an interactive and informative webinar exploring the 3Ts approach (Trusted Leaders, Trusted Places and Trusted Voices) to vaccination engagement with Black African and Black Caribbean Christian communities.

The webinar will explore:

- Key findings and learning from delivery across three locations: Enfield, Ilford and Chesterfield
- How trusted faith leaders and NHS professionals worked together
- Why familiar community settings supported open and honest dialogue
- The role of Q&A sessions and culturally appropriate conversations in addressing concerns
- How the 3Ts framework could inform vaccination engagement with other communities

Speakers:

- Pastor Dr Nick Chanda, Revival Christian Church of Enfield
- Riyadh Karim, Assistant Director, Community Engagement and Vaccine & Screening Equity, NHS England

The webinar will be held on **23 November 2026, from 12pm to 1pm.**

For registration and more details, visit [NHS England Events](#)

If you can't attend, the recording of the webinar will be shared on the [Inequalities Hub on NHSFutures](#) where you can find guidance, toolkits, case studies and more.