

Flu (also known as influenza) can be serious

– having a flu vaccination is the best way to protect yourself

Those most at risk from flu are also the most vulnerable to COVID-19 and we want to do all we can to help protect them this coming winter. It is felt that concerns about COVID-19 may increase demand for flu vaccination in all groups again this year and we will aim to continue to support the NHS by providing opportunity for all staff to receive season flu vaccination and by promoting the public health “Beat Flu” Campaign. We will also encourage all staff through a variety of internal communication systems and to take up the offer of flu vaccination through a variety of delivery options outlined below.



Groups who are most at risk from influenza and of catching influenza and infecting other members of the community remain the priority for this year's flu season. In summary, the priority groups for 2021-22 are as follows; children aged two or three years on 31 August 2021, children in primary school from reception class to Year 6 (inclusive) children in secondary school Year 7 to Year 11 (inclusive) ☐ **people aged 50 years and older (age on 31 March 2022)**. People aged six months to less than 50 years who are identified within the clinical risk groups. This year the NHS are extending the offer to those aged 16 years on 31 August who are morbidly obese. Pregnant women, Unpaid carers, people with a learning disability and all adults resident in Welsh prisons. Flu vaccination is also encouraged for all **healthcare workers (including healthcare students) with direct patient contact, all staff who work in nursing homes and care homes and also staff who provide domiciliary care.**

How do I arrange a vaccine?

Option 1:

If you meet the criteria outlined above you should request vaccination via your **GP or Community Pharmacy** – please speak to your line manager for more information and an authorisation letter.



Option 2:

Boots Pharmacy Flu Vaccine Voucher – requested via email: **please confirm on the request that you are not eligible for free vaccine as outlined above and provide a mobile phone number or email address for the voucher to be sent direct to.**

Email address: fluvaccinationadmin2020@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

Option 3:

If our supply of Boots Vouchers have run out due to high demand you can request a flu vaccination at your GP surgery or a Community Pharmacy of your choice, you would need to pay for the vaccine and then **reclaim via employee expenses** (please provide a receipt with claim). **Maximum claim £15 per employee – cost code: PA42-31270-966**



For more information or advice please contact Occupational Health on 01437 775318 / 01437 776192

Click here for: [Welsh Government National Influenza Immunisation Programme 2021 / 2022](#)

Click here for: [Public Health Wales Beat Flu](#)

