

## BOB Flu Up-date No 3 (12.08.20)

### Recent Guidance

Date	Issued by	Content	Link
5th August 2020	National guidance	The national flu immunisation programme 2020 to 2021- update	<a href="https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/907149/Letter_annualflu_2020_to_2021_update.pdf">https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/907149/Letter_annualflu_2020_to_2021_update.pdf</a>
5th August 2020	National guidance	Flu immunisation training recommendations for 2020 to 2021	<a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flu-immunisation-training-recommendations/flu-immunisation-training-recommendations-for-2020-to-2021">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flu-immunisation-training-recommendations/flu-immunisation-training-recommendations-for-2020-to-2021</a>
5th August 2020	CQC	Registration: flu vaccination arrangements	<a href="http://www.cqc.org.uk/RegistrationFluJabArrangements">www.cqc.org.uk/RegistrationFluJabArrangements</a>
7 <sup>th</sup> August 2020	National guidance	Implementing phase 3 of the NHS response to the COVID-19 pandemic	<a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/20200807-Implementing-phase-3.pdf">https://www.england.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/20200807-Implementing-phase-3.pdf</a>
Recent	RCN	Immunisation services and large-scale vaccination delivery during COVID-19	<a href="https://www.rcn.org.uk/clinical-topics/public-health/immunisation/immunisation-services-and-large-scale-vaccination-delivery-during-covid-19#medicinesmanagement">https://www.rcn.org.uk/clinical-topics/public-health/immunisation/immunisation-services-and-large-scale-vaccination-delivery-during-covid-19#medicinesmanagement</a>

### The new cohort of 50-64 year olds

Additionally, in 2020/21, flu vaccinations might be offered under the NHS flu vaccination programme to individuals between 50-64 years, following prioritisation of other eligible groups and subject to vaccine supply.

GP practices are not expected to have vaccine availability for this cohort yet. The Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) has procured additional national supply and guidance will be issued on how and when this can be accessed.

For this reason we recommend that you focus your planning on initial eligible cohorts.

### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

The Flu letter refers to current guidance on PPE:

- clean gloves and apron for each patient
- a sessional face mask
- eye protection

However, further guidance is anticipated.

## Workforce

Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) is exploring options to expand the workforce able to administer vaccinations as part of the COVID-19 response.

BOB CCG's are planning a refresher/new flu vaccinator training webinar for 27<sup>th</sup> August. This will be uploaded to be available on 'You Tube'.

## Results of GP Practice survey

The majority of GP Practice across BOB are planning in-house vaccination programmes.

Find check lists for various models here: <https://teamnet.clarity.co.uk/Library/ViewItem/9278b6cb-6504-44af-b237-ac1500ef83e1>

## Indemnity

Flu vaccination of staff Q&A:

- Q: Am I covered under CNSGP? Occupational Health tests/injections (including flu injections) arranged by a GP practice/contractor to staff for the purposes of their employment?
- A: *No -Occupational health tests/injections are the responsibility of the employer as part of occupational health arrangements.*

Further information:

<https://resolution.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/CNSGP-Scheme-scope-table-1.pdf>

<https://resolution.nhs.uk/services/claims-management/clinical-schemes/general-practice-indemnity/clinical-negligence-scheme-for-general-practice/>

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If you have any Flu programme related queries or would like additional staff to be included in the Flu Lead distribution list, please email Hilary Munube, IP&C Lead, Oxfordshire CCG [h.munube@nhs.net](mailto:h.munube@nhs.net)