

## COVID-19 Vaccination Training

We have provided below an outline of the recommended training requirements for vaccinators within a primary care setting depending on their role and level of recent experience. **National guidance and training continues to be developed and cascaded so this document is subject to change and will be updated on a regular basis.** **We recommend that you use Google Chrome when accessing the E-Learning for Health platform.**

**ALL VACCINATORS** need to be up to date with:

<p>Basic Life Support</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accessible via E-Learning for Health here <a href="#">Adult Resuscitation Level 2</a></li> <li>• Supported by useful procedure guides in Clinical Skills.net*</li> <li>• BLS (and use of an AED) refresher webinar for existing registered health care professionals – <a href="#">available via the RCGP website</a></li> </ul>
<p>Anaphylaxis – via E-Learning for Health</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accessible via E-Learning for Health below:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <a href="#">Introduction to Anaphylaxis</a> (for non-clinical staff)</li> <li>○ <a href="#">Recognising and Managing Anaphylaxis</a> (for clinical staff)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <a href="#">RCGP - Managing anaphylaxis: guidance for GPs delivering the Covid-19 vaccine</a></li> <li>• Supported by useful procedure guides in Clinical Skills.net*</li> </ul>
<p>Minimum Mandatory Training</p> <p><i>Registered Health Care Professionals</i>  <b>May</b> have an option to self-declare competence and compliance with mandatory requirements. You will still need to undertake 'Data Security Awareness' e-learning. You will also need to complete BLS (Level 2) and Anaphylaxis (if this is not up to date), plus vaccination specific training. Your self-declaration of competence is checked at on-boarding to ensure you do not need to complete further modules. Alternatively, you <b>may</b> be asked to complete a set of mandatory modules including Data Security, Infection Control, Confidentiality, Safeguarding, Raising Concerns as part of induction/application.</p> <p><i>Unregistered Health Care Professionals and Support Workers</i>          Need to complete the full mandatory and statutory package or as requested by specific employer requirements</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accessible via E-Learning for Health <a href="#">Statutory and Mandatory Programme</a></li> </ul>

**Experienced Registered HCP existing vaccinators** (who have vaccinated in last 12 months) will need to complete:

Core Knowledge for COVID Vaccinators (time taken will depend on prior knowledge and experience, realistically allow 2-2.5 hours) and Assessment	<a href="#">Core Knowledge for Covid Vaccinators - available via ELfH here</a>
COVID-19 Vaccine-Specific E-learning and Assessment	<a href="#">COVID-19 mRNA Vaccine BNT162b2 (and Assessment) – available via ELfH</a>  <a href="#">COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca (and Assessment) – available via ELfH</a>
<b>Optional</b> local remote live session – approx. 1-1.5 hours <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• interactive session – opportunity for Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	See <a href="#">Training Hub Courses page</a>
Legal Mechanisms: PGD and National Protocol BioNtech / AstraZeneca vaccines	<a href="#">Available on the NHSE&amp;I website</a>
<b>Community Pharmacists only</b> – should also complete the PGD e-learning programme. For all other staff there is sufficient coverage of PGDs included in the Covid-19 Vaccination Core Knowledge e-learning session.	<a href="#">PGD e-learning programme</a>
Competency Self-Assessment	The <a href="#">Covid-19 Vaccinator Competency Assessment Tool</a> is located on the Public Health England website.

**Registered HCP's who are inexperienced / haven't vaccinated in the last 12 months** will need to complete:

<p>Core Knowledge for COVID Vaccinators (time taken will depend on prior knowledge and experience, realistically allow 2-2.5 hours) and Assessment</p>	<p><a href="#">Core Knowledge for Covid Vaccinators - available via ELfH here</a></p>
<p>E-Learning for Health –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vaccine Administration (and Assessment)</li> <li>• Legal Aspects (and Assessment)</li> <li>• Vaccine Storage (and Assessment)</li> </ul>	<p><a href="#">Vaccine Administration – available here</a>  <a href="#">Legal Aspects – available here</a>  <a href="#">Vaccine Storage – available here</a>            These are also accessible as links within the Core Knowledge e-learning.</p>
<p>COVID-19 Vaccine-Specific E-learning</p>	<p><a href="#">COVID-19 mRNA Vaccine BNT162b2 (and Assessment) – available via ELfH</a>   <a href="#">COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca (and Assessment) – available via ELfH</a></p>
<p><b>Strongly recommended</b> local remote live session – approx. 1-1.5 hours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• interactive session – opportunity for Q&amp;A</li> </ul>	<p>See <a href="#">Training Hub Courses page</a></p>
<p>IM Injection Training – if required</p>	<p>Theory and procedure provided through Clinical Skills.net. Please contact <a href="mailto:kernowhealthcic.workforce@nhs.net">kernowhealthcic.workforce@nhs.net</a> for access. Sign off required in practice.</p>
<p>Legal Mechanisms: PGD and National Protocol BioNtech / AstraZeneca vaccines</p>	<p><a href="#">Available on the NHSE&amp;I website</a></p>
<p><b>Community Pharmacists only</b> – should also complete the PGD e-learning programme. For all other staff there is sufficient coverage of PGDs included in the Covid-19 Vaccination Core Knowledge e-learning session.</p>	<p><a href="#">PGD e-learning programme</a></p>
<p>Competency Sign Off including a period of supervised practice</p>	<p>The <a href="#">Covid-19 Vaccinator Competency Assessment Tool</a> is located on the Public Health England website.</p>

## Unregistered health care support workers

Please note in many settings currently only nurses / GPs will be involved in vaccination.

Unregistered support workers who meet basic vaccinator eligibility requirements (level 3 or equivalent) will need to complete:

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E-Learning for Health – <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Vaccine Administration (and Assessment)</li><li>• Legal Aspects (and Assessment)</li><li>• Vaccine Storage (and Assessment)</li></ul>	<a href="#">Vaccine Administration – available here</a> <a href="#">Legal Aspects – available here</a> <a href="#">Vaccine Storage – available here</a> These are also accessible as links within the Core Knowledge e-learning.
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<b>Required</b> local remote live session – approx. 1-1.5 hours <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• interactive session – opportunity for Q&amp;A</li></ul>	See <a href="#">Training Hub Courses page</a>
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## Pharmacy Related Resources

[Specialist Pharmacy Service \(SPS\): Pfizer-BioNTech Vaccine Standard Operating Procedures](#)

[Specialist Pharmacy Service \(SPS\): Pfizer-BioNTech Vaccine Standard Operating Procedures \(Primary Care\)](#)

[Specialist Pharmacy Service \(SPS\): Advice for dry ice handling](#)

[Specialist Pharmacy Service \(SPS\): Critical control points in the pathway for handline Pfizer-BioNTech Vaccine](#)

## MHRA Guidance on Managing Allergic Reactions

- [Confirmation of guidance to vaccination centres on managing allergic reactions following COVID-19 vaccination with the Pfizer/BioNTech vaccine](#)
- [MHRA guidance on coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

## Further resources

- [GOV.UK immunisation webpages](#).
- Green Book online - [Covid19 – The Green Book, Chapter 14a](#)
- Subscribe to [Vaccine Update](#) to receive this free monthly newsletter.
- “[COVID-19: vaccination programme guidance for healthcare practitioners](#)” via the PHE website
- [Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation](#) webpage
- [Public Health England – Covid19 Vaccination Programme](#)
- [Anaphylaxis guidance for vaccination settings](#)
- [Covid-19 Vaccines and Allergies: The Anaphylaxis Campaign](#)
- Pinnacle Training - [Delivery of COVID Vaccination Services - Vaccination Centre Model v1 - YouTube](#)
- [Pfizer: Vaccine preparation and administration poster and video](#)

\*If you require access to Clinical Skills.net, please email: [kernowhealthcic.workforce@nhs.net](mailto:kernowhealthcic.workforce@nhs.net) for further information.