

# Immunisation Foundation Training for Health Care Support Workers

## Audience

Only HCSWs who have achieved or are currently undertaking education and training to Level 3 of the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF)4 or equivalent with at least 2 years' experience as a HCSW will be considered eligible for training in vaccine administration.

## Foundation Training

This training is a blended learning programme that consists of 2 MANDATORY components:

- **PRE-WORK (full details below)** – this is an essential part of the training which provides the required knowledge across all areas of immunisation. You will be expected to draw upon this knowledge in the virtual seminar. It is your responsibility to ensure that the pre-work has been satisfactorily completed.
- **INTERACTIVE VIRTUAL SEMINAR (approx. 3 hours)** – this session explores and builds upon the content covered in the pre-work. You will be expected to participate in quizzes, case study and scenario discussions so you **MUST** have a working microphone.

## Essential Pre-Work

**Prior to the virtual session you MUST complete E-LFH immunisation e-learning modules.**

### E-LFH immunisation e-learning modules:

- National immunisation policy and programmes
- Immunology
- Vaccine preventable diseases - Pneumonia, Shingles, Flu (Live and inactive)
- Communicating with patients, parents and carers
- Legal aspects
- Vaccine storage
- Vaccine administration

### E-LFH Flu immunisation (FLU) e-learning modules:

- Core knowledge
- Inactivated Flu
- Live Flu

**On completion of the E-LFH modules you must send the certificates, as proof of completion to [kernowhealthcic.workforce@nhs.net](mailto:kernowhealthcic.workforce@nhs.net).** This should be sent at least 2 working days before the virtual session.

### **You MUST also complete the following study activities:**

- Watch the [Immunology for Immuniser Animations](#) created by the Health Protection Agency
- Read through [‘The Green Book’ online immunisation against infectious disease part 1: principle, practices and procedures](#)

It is expected that your employer **allows you a minimum of 2 days to complete the pre-work** outlined above. This is an integral part of this training, for which knowledge and understanding will be assessed during the virtual session.

On completion of the e-learning and virtual session you will receive a certificate of attendance. It is then the responsibility of the attendee to ensure competency is signed off in practice (see the course handbook for further details).