

Homecare Association: Winter Planning Guidance for homecare providers - Updated November 2021

Guidance issued on winter planning and preventative measures that could be put in place. For more information, [click here](#).

The Health and Social Care Act 2008 (Regulated Activities) Regulations 2014: extension of expiry date - Updated 4th November

Responses to the consultation to extend the expiry date of the Act published. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Antibody testing - Updated 4th November

Updated on who can get an antibody test. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: New campaign to stop COVID-19 hanging around - Published 5th November

New campaign highlighting the importance of simple ventilation techniques. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: How to stay safe and help prevent the spread - Published 5th November

Easy read document added to reflect beyond step 4. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Restricting workforce movement between care homes and other care settings - Updated 5th November

Notice that this guidance is still applicable but due to be updated. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Booster bookings to be opened a month early - Published 6th November

From 8th November, the National Booking Service will allow people to pre-book their booster appointment a month before they are eligible. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Providing homecare - Updated 8th November

Updated to reflect the latest clinical advice from the UKHSA. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Travel Update – new guidance for people vaccinated under WHO Emergency Use Listings (EUL) and Under 18s – News story 8th November

From 22nd November, COVID-19 vaccines on the WHO EUL will be recognised and all under 18s coming to England will be treated as fully vaccinated at the border. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: How to do a coronavirus rapid lateral flow test at home - Updated 9th November

Translated guides added. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Making Vaccines a Condition of Deployment - Updated 9th November

A number of new announcements have been made following the end of the consultation period and these include:

[Statement to Parliament on Vaccines as a Condition of Deployment](#)

[Government to introduce COVID-19 vaccination as a condition of deployment for all frontline health and social care workers](#)

[Making vaccination a condition of deployment in the health and wider social care sector](#)

[Vaccinations will become mandatory, subject to parliamentary approval, by 1st April 2022 in health and social care settings regulated by CQC.](#)

COVID-19: Making Vaccines a Condition of Deployment in older adult care homes - Updated 9th November

Consultation impact assessment added. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Working safely during COVID-19 - Updated 9th November

Amendments published, including for offices. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19 Response: Autumn and Winter Plan 2021 - Updated 9th November

Easy read version has been added. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19 Vaccination – Easy read leaflets - Updated 9th November

Audio link added for the leaflet on pregnant women. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19 Vaccination - Booster dose resources - Updated 9th November

Links to alternative versions added. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19 Vaccination – What to expect after vaccination - Updated 9th November

Links to alternative versions added. For more information, [click here](#).

Domestic Abuse – How to get help - Updated 11th November

Easy read version of the guidance added. For more information, [click here](#).

Code of practice for the international recruitment of health and social care personnel - Updated 11th November

Amber list country added, and made clear that any amber list country is any country where managed international recruitment is permitted only on the terms of a government to government agreement. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: The Green Book, Chapter 14a - Updated 15th November

Guidance updated to include second doses for 16 to 17 year olds and booster doses for 40 to 49 year olds, as well as clarification on timing flexibility of the booster. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Government accepts JCVI advice on COVID-19 vaccination programme - Published 15th November

The Health and Social Care Secretary has accepted advice to extend the booster programme to those aged 40 and offer a second dose to 16 to 17 year olds. For more information, [click here](#).

COVID-19: Booster dose resources - Updated 17th November

Eligible cohort updated to 40 years and over. For more information, [click here](#).

Government funds new tech in the fight against online child abuse - Published 17th November

New innovative technology will be developed to support in the fight against online child abuse. For more information, [click here](#).

Policy Updates

- All coronavirus policies and Resource Centre documents continue to be reviewed and updated in light of government updates. Please see your dashboard for the latest changes

Risk Assessment Updates

- All risk assessments continue to be updated in light of government updates