



COVID-19 vaccination programme for children and young people

Information for parents, carers and schools 18 November 2021

We are writing to update you on the arrangements to vaccinate young people aged 12-15 years in Bolton.

Now that the option to have your child vaccinated in school has come to an end in Bolton, there are other options available.

We are pleased to say that more than 7,000 young people aged 12-15 have received their Covid-19 vaccination over a five week period. If your child was absent during the schools' programme, or you wanted more time to consider the vaccination, **there is still time to attend one of our walk-in clinics or book an appointment.**

If your child has not yet received their first dose of the vaccination, there are now several options available. These options also apply to those 12-15 year olds with existing health conditions.

Parents can take their child to one of our designated walk-in clinics for 12-15 year olds at:

- Horwich RMI Club, Ramsbottom Road, BL6 5NH
- Hootons Pharmacy at the Bolton Wanderers Football Club, University of Bolton Stadium, De Havilland Way, BL6 6SF
- Market Place Shopping Centre, Knowsley Street, BL1 2AL

Although no appointment is needed, parents and carers are required to accompany their child to provide consent on the day.

Dates and times vary across these sites, so please check the <u>NHS Bolton CCG</u> <u>website</u> for details.

If you prefer to book an appointment, you can do this online via the <u>National Booking</u> System (NBS).

If you don't have access to the internet and prefer to book an appointment, please call 119.

We'd like to thank all of our secondary schools and Bolton NHS Foundation Trust's School Age Immunisation Service for delivering the rapid response to the 12-15 year old programme, along with Kildonan House GP Practice and Bolton GP Federation who conducted the vaccinations in schools across Bolton.





There is helpful information about vaccinations for 12-15 year olds, parents and schools on the <u>government website</u>.

Rates of Covid are still high in the borough so getting your child vaccinated will help to protect them, family members and vulnerable people in the community.

Kind regards,

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