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Derby and Derbyshire COVID-19 Vaccination Programme | Stakeholder Bulletin #28

Dear Colleagues,

Joined Up Care Derbyshire is pushing ahead confidently as the COVID-19 vaccination rollout continues, with people in two new cohorts now being invited for appointments.

It was great to see NHS Chief Executive Sir Simon Stevens heaping praise on everyone involved in the rollout, which achieved its target of vaccinating the first four cohorts of patients by February 15.

As always, I would be extremely grateful if you could share this update as far and as wide as possible. Thank you in advance of your cooperation.

Best wishes and stay safe.

Dr Steve Lloyd
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Latest developments

Letters have now gone out to patients in two cohorts, known as Cohort 5 and Cohort 6.

Cohort 5 is people aged 65-69, and is a natural development from the earlier vaccinations of patients aged over 70 years old.

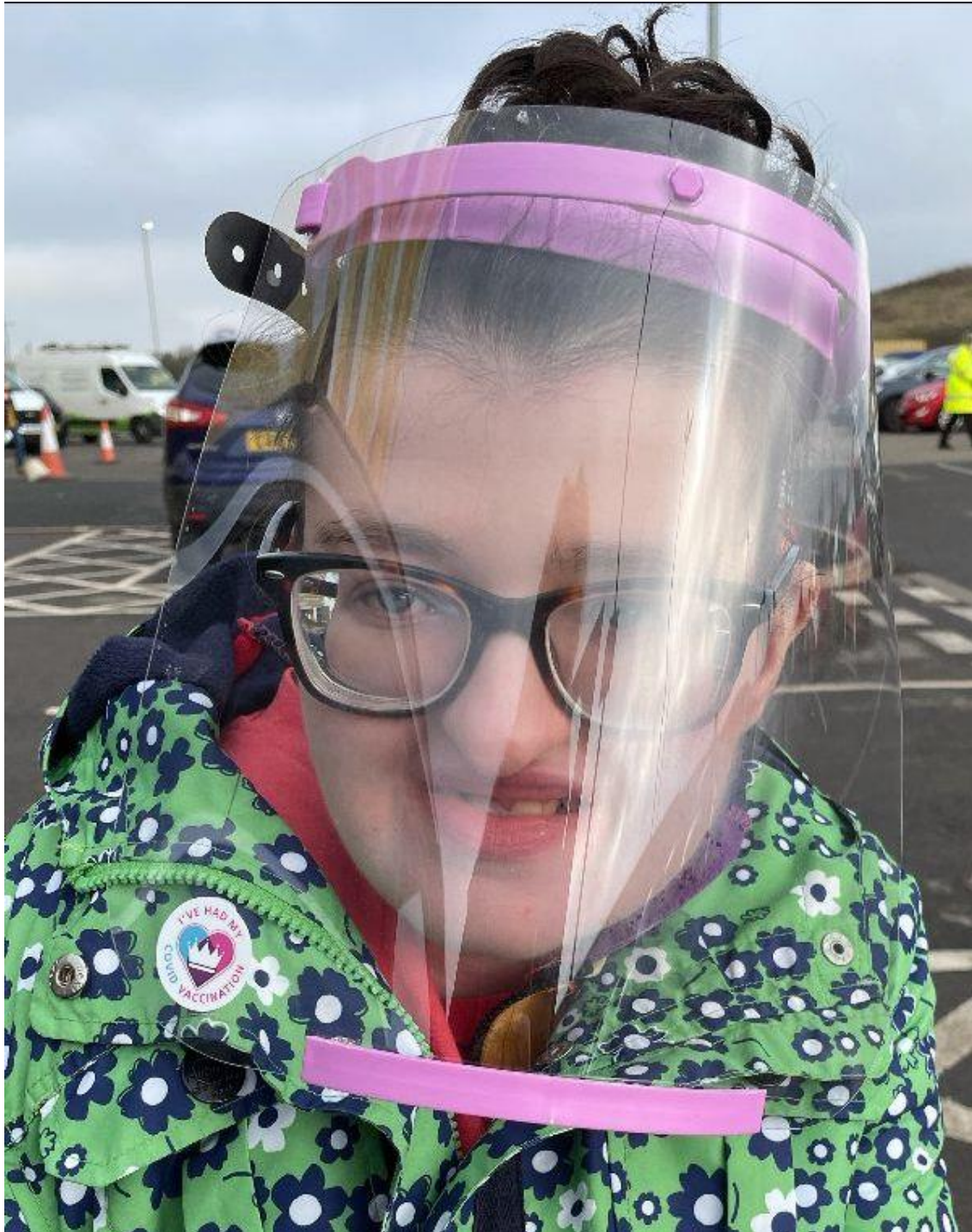
Cohort 6 is made up of people who are in the clinical risk groups for Covid-19 and you can see the definitions in our Frequently Asked Questions section of the Joined Up Care Website [here](#).

Letters have been sent out by the National Booking System and by GP-led vaccination sites, so some people will receive letters from both and can choose.

Anyone who is over 70 years old and not yet had their vaccination should contact the GP practice.

The staff at Derby Arena received a wonderful note of thanks from one of its young patients recently: "Emily and I were very nervous about going to the arena to get the vaccine. Emily has complex needs including Chronic neutropenia and has therefore spent most of the last year shielding. Emily gets very anxious when she is out of routine and we had no idea how long the process was going to take.

"When we arrived a member of the arena team asked immediately if Emily was anxious and if she was ok to queue. Once I explained, this lady very kindly fast tracked us through so we did not have to wait. We were in and out in minutes. The arena was very well organised and everyone was so friendly. We felt safe throughout the whole experience and will have no problem going back for the second dose."



Tackling vaccine hesitancy in our communities

Joined Up Care Derbyshire has launched a [Community Representatives' Communication Toolkit](#) aimed at tackling vaccine hesitancy in our communities and disinformation. The first four toolkits aim to assist African, Bangladeshi, Caribbean and Pakistani community and faith leaders in conversations with their communities to encourage vaccine uptake using information from reputable sources including scripts, videos from trusted voices, social media images and useful links, some translated into community languages.

The effort is part of a system co-production approach from communications, engagement and behavioural psychologists in Derbyshire. The group has consulted Derbyshire's community leaders to understand community concerns, best routes to engage and what community leaders want to help them have

meaningful conversations in communities. The approach is also coupled with data to understand where vaccine take-up is low and thus who the priority groups are.

More materials will be added to reach other priority communities over the coming weeks.

We all need to own this challenge; it is incumbent on us as a community to ensure the benefits of this incredible vaccination rollout are felt by all equally.



Community Representatives' Communication Toolkit

Please find below useful toolkits and resources to support you engage with communities regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. You will find toolkits for the following communities:

- African
- Caribbean
- Bangladeshi
- Pakistani



Latest statistics

UK Summary

See the [easy read summary](#) for the UK.

People vaccinated up to and including 14 February 2021

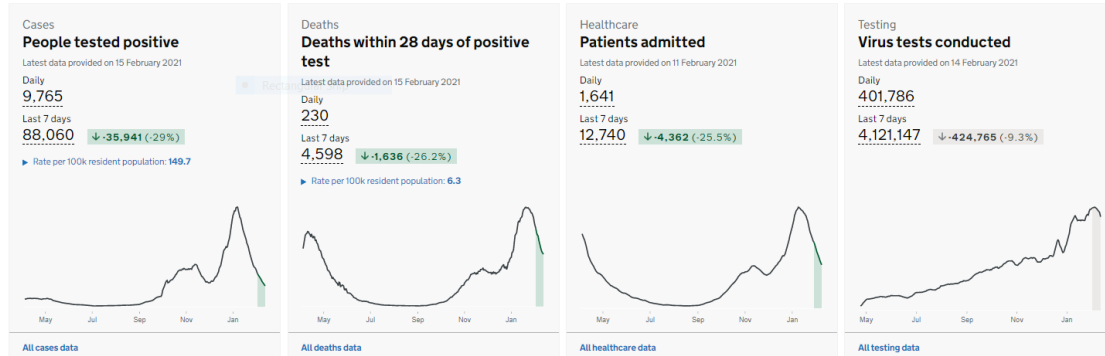
First dose: 15,300,151

Second dose: 539,630

[View vaccination data](#)

Estimated R number

0.7 to 0.9 with a daily infection growth rate range of -5% to -2% as of 12 February 2021.



FAQs

Who is eligible for the vaccine now?

- Anyone aged 65 years old or over
- If you are over 70 years old but not received your vaccination yet, please contact your GP practice
- Anyone who is extremely clinically vulnerable.
- Anyone else who is recorded by their GP as being “at risk” from Covid-19.
- For a full list of current eligibility please visit: <https://joinedupcarederbyshire.co.uk/public-info-covid-19/covid-19-vaccine>

Next Steps

Vaccination teams are focusing on delivering vaccinations to the current cohorts, but are also planning for the administration of second doses for patients.

More information

For more information go to the Joined Up Care Derbyshire website [here](#).

The Next Edition

My next update will include:

- Other latest developments

- [Frequently Asked questions](#)

If you have any feedback, or questions, please email us at: ddccg.enquiries@nhs.net. We are sure you will understand that we are very busy, but we will endeavour to respond to all queries within three working days.

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