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Derby and Derbyshire COVID-19 Vaccination Programme | Stakeholder Bulletin #36

Dear colleagues,

While the vaccination programme continues at a pace, we should all remember that we must continue to follow the 'hands, face, space' guidelines to keep the number of Covid-19 cases from increasing.

It is also important for everyone to remain vigilant of potential scams, especially as we use digital communication to invite people to book their vaccine. Text message invites are always sent from two sources: either 'NHSvaccine' via the National Booking System and these texts will include a link to NHS.uk and provide the option to call 119; or from your usual GP practice mobile number, where you be given options for local booking. Neither booking route will ever ask for any payment details.

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.

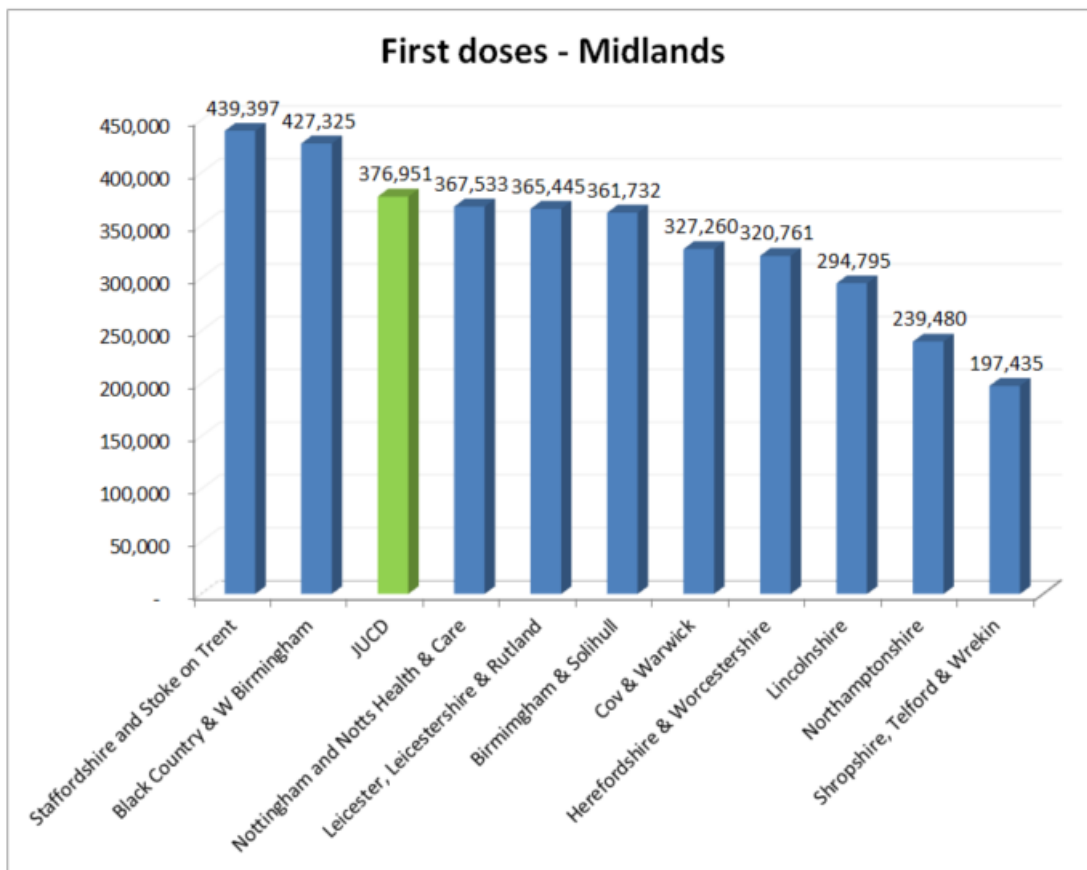
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Latest developments

Nearly 45% of the adult population across Joined Up Care Derbyshire have been vaccinated which is very encouraging, and hopefully the programme will continue at pace as more people become eligible.

As of 7th March, 376,951 people had been vaccinated which puts us third highest in the Midlands – a fantastic achievement! If you are offered a vaccination, please book as soon as you can



You can read more about these statistics [here](#)

Some positive feedback and thanks for the vaccination teams has come through from the Chair of Derby City Safeguarding Adults Board: "Thanks to all of the team for their hard work in relation to vaccine delivery which was commended highly by the Chair of the City Safeguarding Board yesterday. Particular mention was made in relation to the great work that has been undertaken with the homeless population."

And from Belper Town Council: "The Council acknowledges the immense work, organisation, and care you have been putting in to running the vaccination programme at Babington Hospital. The Council would like to pass on its sincere thanks for your commitment in running such a smooth and efficient service and maintaining high standards in these very difficult and unprecedented times to keep our Communities safe, it is very much appreciated."

It's heartening to know colleagues from organisations across Derbyshire are recognising the hard work of everyone involved in the vaccination programme.

Latest statistics

UK Summary

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

People vaccinated up to and including 10 March 2021

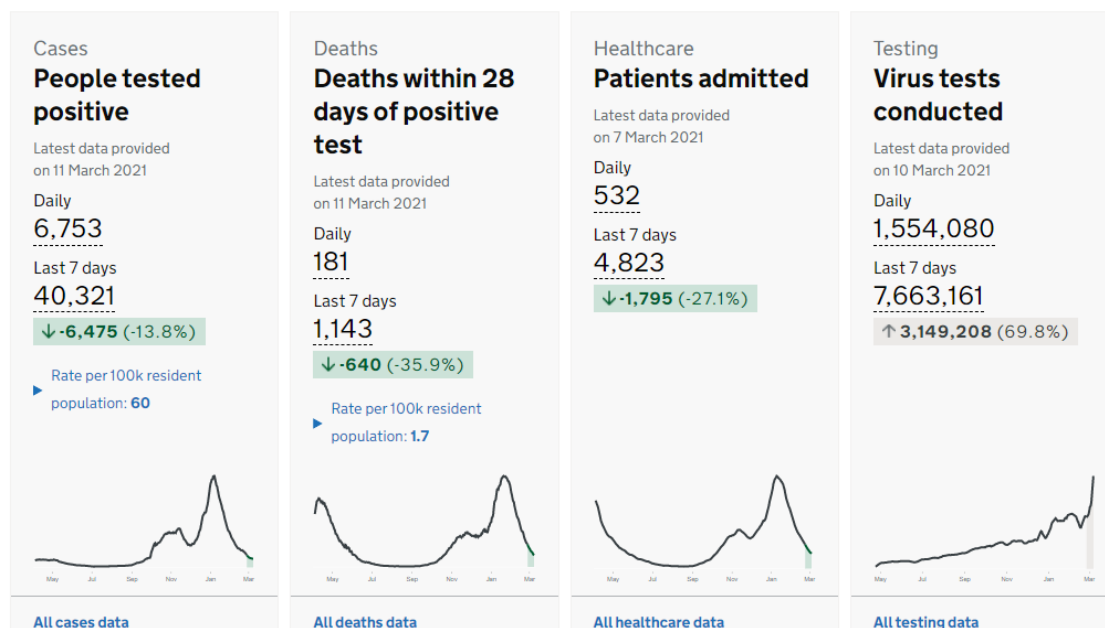
First dose: 23,053,716

Second dose: 1,351,515

[View vaccination data](#)

Estimated R number

0.7 to 0.9 with a daily infection growth rate range of -5% to -3% as of 5 March 2021.



FAQs

What should I do if I am invited for a second dose?

- It is important that you attend the same vaccination site for both your first and second vaccinations. Make your booking as soon as you can.
- Attend the vaccination, but still observe any requirements for social distancing and mask wearing.

Should I get my second dose?

- Yes, the Covid-19 vaccines currently in use were approved for use on the basis of each person receiving two doses.
- Initially, these doses were to be spaced 21 days apart, but on December 30 the UK's four Chief Medical Officers announced that this should be increased to 12 weeks. This was to enable more people to get some protection from a first dose.
- The first dose causes the body to have an immune response, which protects against Covid-19 but fades over time. The second dose was shown to produce a larger secondary immune response, which takes longer to fade. This is why a second dose is important.

Can I have my second dose somewhere else?

- No, the system is designed to vaccinate people at the same site for both first and second doses.
- In some cases, this will be unavoidable. For example, a person may have moved into or out of a hospital in-patient ward since their first dose. However, these cases will be considered on an individual basis.

Find out more about second dose vaccinations and other frequently asked questions [here](#)

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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