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Derby and Derbyshire COVID-19 Vaccination Programme | Stakeholder Bulletin #22

Dear Colleagues,

Thursday was another important day for the COVID-19 vaccination programme in Derbyshire as three new vaccination sites opened their doors for the first time.

It was great to see the Ikhlas Community Centre in the news, and I know they put in some long hours to be ready in time. The same goes for the teams in Hatton and Horsley Woodhouse; well done to you all for the hard work and wonderful results.

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

Three pharmacy-led vaccination sites began work on Thursday, thanks to weeks of hard work by the teams responsible.

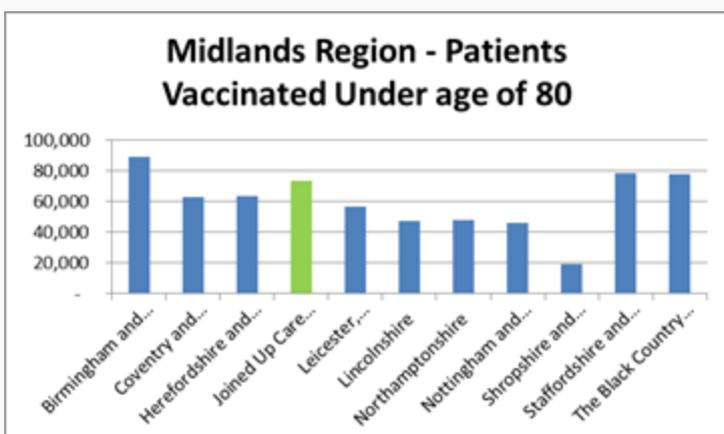
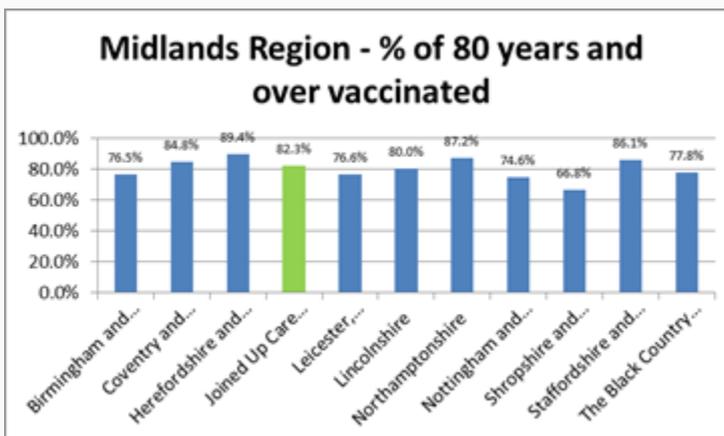
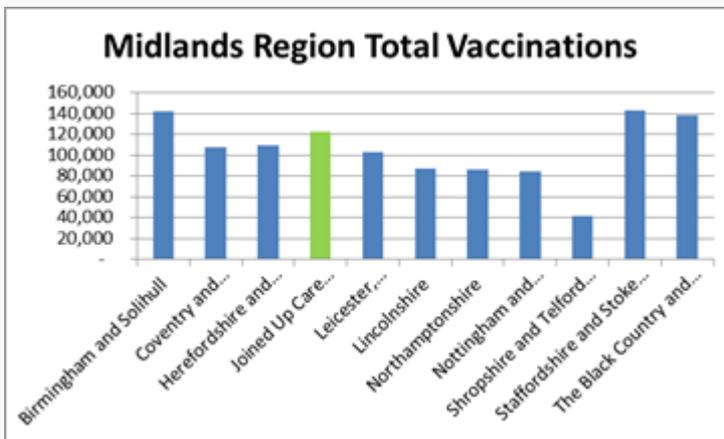
Ikhlas Community Centre, in the heart of the Derby suburb of Normanton, hosted regional and national media as it began its work. Among the first people to receive their vaccination was the father of Pear Tree Pharmacy's Lead Pharmacist, Aftab Rehman. He had been offered a vaccination at Derby Arena but asked to wait to receive it from his son.

Jubilee Hall in Hatton also began operating today, and Superintendent Pharmacist at Good life pharmacy Lindsey Fairbrother reported great success and feedback from the people they vaccinated.

The third site to go live was at Horsley Woodhouse Church Hall, where pharmacist and Amber Pharmacy owner Baldev Raj Bange reported a good day and more positive feedback from everyone involved. The Derbyshire Telegraph covered the launch of the three sites:

- <https://www.derbytelegraph.co.uk/news/local-news/three-more-covid-vaccination-centres-4936717.amp>

There was more good news from the [national release of vaccination statistics by the NHS on Thursday](#), showing Derbyshire continues to vaccinate people at a good pace.



Daily statistics

UK Summary

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

People vaccinated up to and including 27 January 2021

First dose: 7,447,199

Second dose: 476,298

[View vaccination data](#)

Estimated R number

0.8 to 1 with a daily infection growth rate range of -4% to -1% as of 22 January 2021.



FAQs

Is it possible for people to get transport to vaccination appointments?

- Yes. Derbyshire Connect Active Travel can transport people to vaccination appointments. It replaces the Dial-a-Bus (DAB) 'shopping' bus services.
- This door-to-door service can also take people to hospital, GP surgeries, health centres, clinics, dentists, opticians, chemists, physiotherapists and any other medical appointments. Passenger assistants are available, on request, for anyone needing extra help.
- Derbyshire Connect Active Travel uses volunteer cars and accessible vehicles able to carry passengers using wheelchairs.
- Charges vary depending on how far you travel. You will be advised of the fare when booking.

Can I get my vaccination at a pharmacy now?

- No. Derbyshire now has three vaccination sites which are run by community pharmacies, but they are all based in community centres, not in pharmacies.
- To receive your vaccination at one of these sites, you will need to be offered an appointment by a letter from the National Booking System.
- You can then book your appointment at the nearest vaccination centre
- This includes the pharmacy-led sites in Normanton, Hatton and Horsley Woodhouse as well as Derby Arena

Next steps

Bad weather, including snow and heavy rain, is forecast for the weekend, so sites are preparing to ensure minimal disruption to their activity. All the sites have carefully thought-out plans for dealing with these scenarios.

Derbyshire now has 15 PCN-led sites, three pharmacy-led sites, a mass vaccination centre and two hospital hubs, but the work is not finished yet. Three more pharmacy-led sites are expected to go live next

week, further expanding the options for patients to be vaccinated.

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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