

Derby and Derbyshire COVID-19 Vaccination Programme | Stakeholder Bulletin #40

Dear colleagues,

We have now administered over half a million doses of the vaccine in Derby and Derbyshire – a momentous achievement. Well done to everyone involved who has helped us to reach so many people since December.

Monday 29 March marks the first easing of restrictions in the UK. While many of us will be looking forward to seeing friends and family in person again, please remember to follow the 'Hands, Face, Space' guidance. We must all continue to follow the rules put in place in order to stop Covid-19 cases rising.

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 Medical Director NHS Derby and Derbyshire CCG



Latest developments

It is vital to remind everyone how important receiving your second vaccine dose is. The first vaccination will give you partial protection but the second dose will maximise your protection from the virus.

You may have booked your first and second appointments at the same time, if not you will be invited to book your second appointment in due course.

Today a pop up vaccination clinic was held at the Pakistan Community Centre in Pear Tree. We recognise how important it is to be culturally and religiously sensitive when administering the vaccine and the environment in which it is done. There were only a limited number of appointments available but it is hoped that we will be able to replicate the success of this pop up clinic in the future.

Latest statistics

Thursday's official NHS England statistics revealed that teams across Joined Up Care Derbyshire have now administered more than half a million doses of Covid-19 vaccine. The statistics show JUCD had administered 501,153 doses as of March 21, which works out at 4,818 doses per day, more than 200 per hour and around one dose every 20 seconds since vaccinations began on December 8.

This incredible effort includes 481,148 first doses, while nearly 20,000 of those in the most vulnerable groups have now received a second dose to further improve their protection against the virus.

UK Summary

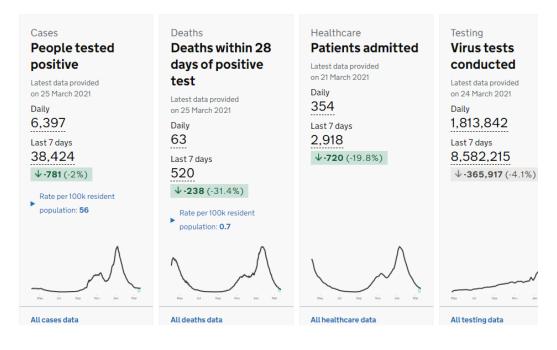
See the easy read summary for the UK.

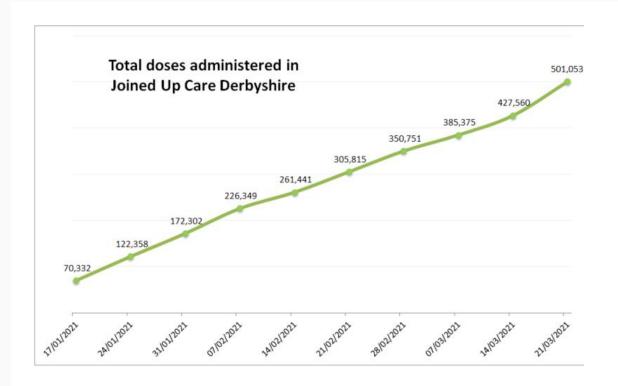
People vaccinated up to and including 24 March 2021

First dose: 28,991,188 Second dose: 2,775,481 View vaccination data

Estimated R number

0.6 to 0.9 with a daily infection growth rate range of -6% to -3% as of 19 March 2021.





Constituency breakdown

Mid Derbyshire continues to perform well when compared with other parliamentary constituencies around England. It has the highest percentage uptake of any English constituency in the 65-69 age group, and is also in the top 10 for four other age groups.

The news is also good in the 75-79 year-old age group, where both South Derbyshire (4th) and Mid Derbyshire (7th) are in the national top 10 for uptake.

FAQs

Why aren't you vaccinating teachers and people who work in the emergency services as a priority?

- Joined Up Care Derbyshire has rolled out Covid-19 vaccinations based on the priority groups identified by the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation. These groups are based on clinical vulnerability to Covid-19.
- These groups included frontline health and social care workers, because these people have daily contact with patients. This includes ambulance staff and frontline social workers.
- Another priority group for vaccinations includes paid and unpaid carers of an elderly or disabled person
 who is at increased risk of COVID-19 mortality and therefore clinically vulnerable. This definition includes
 some teachers and nursery staff, and vaccinations of people in this group are continuing.
- The JCVI did not include all emergency service personnel or teachers in this group, and JUCD is following this guidance to ensure fairness to all.
- You can find out more about the Covid-19 vaccine programme <u>here</u>

Next steps

Several new pharmacy sites are set to open over the next few weeks.

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: ddccq.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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