

Learning Disability

IDENTIFY

Severe Mental Illness

Unpaid Carers



OFFER YOUR PATIENTS THE MOST APPROPRIATE APPOINTMENT FOR THEIR NEEDS

Provide the NHSE [Easy Read guidance](#) on Covid vaccination

Consider booking appointment by phone rather than text message; giving an opportunity to answer questions, discuss their needs and promote the wider LD support your practice can offer eg annual health checks, carer registration

Keep a record of patients who do not respond to their vaccination invitation or who DNA their appointment

After discussion with the patient (and liaison with the PCLN if necessary) consider which appointment category the patient is likely to fall into:

Can attend the vaccination centre
without needing any reasonable adjustments:

BOOK STANDARD APPOINTMENT

Can attend the vaccination centre but likely to need reasonable adjustments
from [vaccinators](#) and/or [volunteers](#)
Eg wheelchair access, minimising noise, avoiding bright lighting, longer appointment times, an appointment timed to meet patient's needs, ability to be vaccinated in a car:

BOOK APPOINTMENT WITH REASONABLE ADJUSTMENTS AVAILABLE

Will not be able to attend the vaccination centre
or will require sedation to be vaccinated:

LIAISE WITH PCLNs TO DISCUSS SUPPORTED MOBILE VACCINATION

REMEMBER CAPACITY AND CONSENT

Ensure patients have had [information](#) on Covid vaccination and [consenting](#) prior to their appointment

See guidance on the Mental Capacity Act and [Best Interests](#) decision making when necessary

Seek input from Power of Attorney if patient has one, and/or PCLNs if needed

YOUR LEARNING DISABILITY PRIMARY CARE LIAISON NURSES (PCLNs) ARE HERE TO HELP AT ANY STAGE

They can be flexible to meet your patient's and your vaccination centre's needs.

Contact them with any queries or for advice on capacity, consent, reasonable adjustments, sedation, non-engagement with appointment

PCLNs can also attend your PCN vaccination sites to support you: PLEASE GIVE 24HOURS NOTICE TO REQUEST THIS

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