



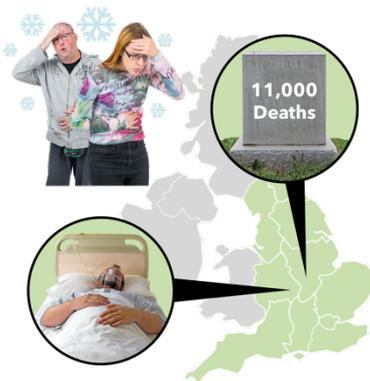
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Statement on flu vaccinations and supply



Flu is a serious virus, killing an average of 11,000 people every year in England and causing thousands more to need hospital treatment every year.



This year, as announced by the government, 30 million people in England will be able to get the free **flu vaccination**.



flu vaccination

Sometimes known as a flu jab or flu nasal spray. They help to stop you from getting flu.

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This is twice as many people as were vaccinated last year.



Getting the **flu vaccination** is more important than ever this year.



If you are likely to get very poorly from coronavirus, you are also likely to get very poorly from flu.



Lots of people want to get their **flu vaccination** this year.

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Many people have already had their **flu vaccination**.



However, some people have not been able to get their **flu vaccination** straight away.



GP surgeries and pharmacies may have used all their first deliveries of **flu vaccination**.



This is due to the high level of early demand, but but this does not mean you cannot get a **flu vaccination** this year.

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Flu vaccination is delivered to GP surgeries, pharmacies and other services in **batches** in the run up to and over flu season.



Batches

A group of things of the same kind that are sent to the same place at the same time.



GP surgeries, pharmacies and other services will be getting more **flu vaccination**.



Flu vaccination is made in **batches** as enough for everyone cannot be made in one go.

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This is partly because a **flu vaccination** is very complex thing to make.



Partly because GP surgeries and pharmacies need to fit in **flu vaccinations** around appointments and usual services.



And let people to choose when they want to have their **flu vaccination**.



People with a learning disability are a priority group to get a **flu vaccination**.

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So, if you have a learning disability you should try and book your flu vaccination appointment as soon as possible.



If your GP surgery say they do not have **flu vaccination** available, ask them when they expect to get more.



Remind your GP surgery that you have a learning disability so it is extra important that you get a **flu vaccination**.



10 million of the national total of **flu vaccination** was ordered for September and has been delivered.

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More will come during October, November and December to vaccinate over 30 million people.



There are several types of **flu vaccinations** available.



You will be offered one that is recommended for you based on your age.

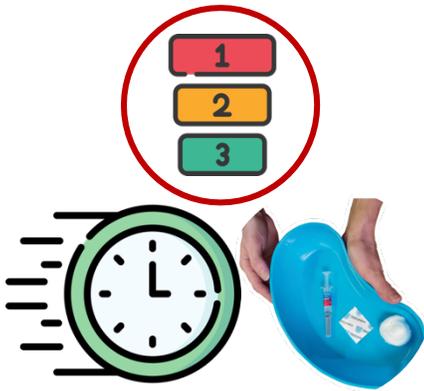


If your GP surgery or pharmacy has the type that you need, you will be able to get your **flu vaccination**.

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While other people, who need a different type of **vaccination**, may have to wait.



GP surgeries and pharmacies are doing their very best to make sure people who need the **flu vaccination** the most are given it as early as possible, in line with their supply.



So please bear this in mind if you are not in a high priority group and you may be asked to wait until a bit later in the year to receive your **flu vaccination**.



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