

## Media Release

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### **Invites being sent to clinical at risk group for autumn COVID-19 booster**

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The autumn COVID-19 booster programme continues to progress, with invitation letters currently being sent to islanders in a clinical at risk group.

All those aged 65 and over, along with front line health and social care workers, have been invited for their autumn booster. Anyone in these groups who has not received an invitation letter is asked to contact the Vaccine Contact Centre by calling 220001 or emailing [vcc@gov.gg](mailto:vcc@gov.gg).

Letters are now being sent to those who are clinically at risk in age descending order.

In line with the latest guidance from the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI), the Committee *for* Health & Social Care has agreed that the following Bailiwick residents will be offered a COVID-19 booster this autumn:

- All adults aged 50 years and over
- Those aged 5 to 49 years in a clinical risk group, including pregnant women
- Those aged 5 to 49 years who are household contacts of people with immunosuppression
- Those aged 16 to 49 who are carers
- Residents in a care home for older adults and staff working in care homes for older adults
- Front line health and social care workers

It is expected that the next cohort, islanders aged between 60 and 64 who are not in a clinical at risk group, will begin receiving their invitation letters next week.

Autumn booster appointments can be booked to attend either the CVC at Raymond Falla House or at their normal Primary Care practice. Flu vaccines are also available free of charge for those eligible for a COVID vaccination booster.

Islanders are reminded that they cannot have a booster until four weeks have passed since a positive LFT.

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