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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH ON BEHALF OF PARTNERS

Dear Parent/Carer

Young people aged 12 - 15 can now receive the COVID-19 vaccine outside of school

Until now, 12 to 15-year-olds have only received vaccines as part of the ongoing school vaccination programme, but now young people or their parents can use the NHS National Booking Service to book a COVID-19 vaccination at a convenient location in the same way as people aged 16 and over can.

The move is designed to ensure that those who have not yet had the chance at school, can get vaccinated elsewhere, as quickly as possible. All vaccinations will be given by staff who are specifically trained in the delivery of vaccinations for young people. These specific clinic sites, dates and times are listed overleaf so you can easily plan where and when to vaccinate your young person.

All clinics are offered outside of school hours, including evenings and weekends. More locations and appointments will be added regularly to the NHS [National Booking Service](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/) (<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>). You can choose to pre-book the appointment or walk-in for the vaccine with no appointment necessary if you prefer.

Information about consent will be provided on-line via NHS National Booking Service and will also be discussed at the vaccination site.

Parents who have questions about the vaccination are encouraged to have a conversation with the healthcare professional at the vaccination centre they visit. Young people **MUST** be accompanied by an adult family member, parent, grandparents, or adult sibling to complete the consent process for the vaccine.

You must not be COVID-19 positive, have any symptoms or be isolating due to COVID-19. If you have had a recent positive COVID-19 test, you should wait four weeks from the date you had the test before you book an appointment.

Yours sincerely

Wendy Burke
Director of Public Health North Tyneside.

COVID-19 vaccination sites for 12 – 15 year olds

An appointment can either be made on the COVID-19 vaccine National Booking Service **OR please feel free to walk-in, no appointment is needed.**

Please ensure that the young person is accompanied by an adult who can complete the consent process for the young person to receive the vaccine.

Date of clinic	Clinic location for 12 – 15 year olds	Open times
Saturday 6th Nov	Monkseaton Methodist Church (NE25 8AQ)	9am – 4pm (Closed 1 -2 pm)
Monday 8th	Collingwood Centre (NE29 9QR)	3:30 pm – 8pm (Staff Break 4:20pm – 4:50pm)
	Monkseaton Methodist Church (NE25 8AQ)	3:30pm – 7pm
Tuesday 9th	Willington Quay Pharmacy (NE28 6NQ)	6:15pm – 7:30pm
	Cedarwood Trust (NE29 7QT)	3:30 pm – 8pm (Staff Break 4:20pm – 4:50pm)
Thursday 11th	The Village Hotel (NE27 0BY)	3:30pm – 8pm (Staff Break 4:20pm – 4:50pm)
	Willington Quay Pharmacy (NE28 6NQ)	6:15pm – 7:30pm
Friday 12th	Monkseaton Methodist Church (NE25 8AQ)	3:30pm – 6pm
Saturday 13th	Willington Quay Pharmacy NE28 6NQ)	9:30am – 11:30am

- For up to date information on the COVID-19 vaccine programme rollout in North Tyneside go to <https://tynehealth.org.uk/covid-19/>
- To book a COVID-19 vaccination go to <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>
- A new vaccination site for 12 – 15 year olds will be opening soon in The Beacon Centre Shopping Centre (opposite the library entrance) in November. They will also provide bookable and walk in appointments when they open.