**09.01.23 - Clinical Workstream updates**

**Contents**

1. **Revised PGD and national protocol for Comirnaty 10 Concentrate**
2. **Vaccinating for impact: Vaccinating at risk**
3. **Autumn/winter booster for individuals with an incomplete vaccination history**
4. **Clinical Safety Dashboard – Call for your views**
5. **Clinical Safety Dashboard - Update**
6. **Nuvaxovid survey results**
7. **Care homes guidance – IPC update**
8. **Case studies**
9. **Revised PGD and National protocol for Comirnaty 10 Concentrate**

Revised [Patient Group Direction](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.england.nhs.uk%2Fcoronavirus%2Fpublication%2Fpatient-group-direction-for-comirnaty-10micrograms-dose-concentrate-for-children-5-11-years%2F&data=05%7C01%7Cglicb.primarycare%40nhs.net%7Cc0740cbd9de24caadcec08daf257df2d%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638088756466083497%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=sLHPWOa%2FtHlzKj4McUynSLrlRunvI56yqmCqtw9%2FvFU%3D&reserved=0) (PGD) and [National Protocol](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fpublications%2Fnational-protocol-for-comirnaty-10-microgramdose-covid-19-mrna-vaccine&data=05%7C01%7Cglicb.primarycare%40nhs.net%7Cc0740cbd9de24caadcec08daf257df2d%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638088756466239320%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=CfKMwf1fzjVMaEIGMTnN7RKV7TYvTUDpVKpnnqv6uS8%3D&reserved=0) for Comirnaty 10 Concentrate have been published. Vaccinating teams should read the new versions, familiarise themselves with the amendments [which are detailed in the ‘change history section], complete the authorisation process, and adopt for their use. The main revisions relate to the vaccine now being licensed for booster doses for children aged 5 -11 years old (previously off-label) and a clarification regarding the vaccine type for 12 year olds in Year 7 requiring a booster dose.

1. **Vaccinating for impact: vaccinating those at risk**

The number of vaccination events being delivered is currently low, however there remain individuals at risk who we would wish to receive their vaccine.  For those vaccines not in frequent use (for example Comirnaty 10, Nuvaxovid) this might involve using just a small part of a multi-dose vial.

While vaccine stock levels are high, we encourage vaccination at the point of presentation rather than combining individuals into vial-size clinic appointments and accept that reported waste may be higher than previously noted.

1. **Autumn/winter booster for individuals with an incomplete vaccination history**

Over the coming weeks, invitations for an autumn/winter booster vaccination will be sent to eligible individuals who have a record of a booster dose at least 91 days prior, but with an apparent incomplete history of a primary course. Individuals in this category who present to sites for vaccination should be reviewed and have their COVID-19 vaccination history confirmed, to ensure the most appropriate vaccine type is administered and dose recorded. Staff are reminded that an incomplete vaccination history should not prevent an individual from receiving the relevant COVID-19 vaccine dose during the autumn/winter programme. The advice on [previous incomplete vaccination](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fassets.publishing.service.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fuploads%2Fsystem%2Fuploads%2Fattachment_data%2Ffile%2F1102459%2FGreenbook-chapter-14a-4September22.pdf&data=05%7C01%7Cglicb.primarycare%40nhs.net%7Cc0740cbd9de24caadcec08daf257df2d%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638088756466239320%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=vyvMC2n2ay6o1eM8wEP8A36znRt3PNc7m1t5X5tUpCY%3D&reserved=0) in the ‘Green Book’ should be followed, noting that in some circumstances a PSD may be required for administration.

1. **Clinical Safety Dashboard – Call for your views (ref RVOC9832)**

A [short survey](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.office.com%2Fe%2FizC7TUX4xg&data=05%7C01%7Cglicb.primarycare%40nhs.net%7Cc0740cbd9de24caadcec08daf257df2d%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638088756466239320%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=KOs4eh0eVvUTpnlCMnCyrdX14Vq%2FLRMj2IbTkmg9IB8%3D&reserved=0) has been launched, to help assess the usefulness of the Clinical Safety Dashboard. Please circulate it to site managers in your region and encourage them to complete it by 1pm on Friday 13 January.Feedback is also welcomed from anyone at a system or region level, who uses the dashboard or its output as part of QA of risk/assurance systems. We appreciate your support, and if you have any questions, please contact Rachel Pool ([rachel.pool2@nhs.net](mailto:rachel.pool2@nhs.net)) or Kelly Hughes ([kelly.hughes8@nhs.net](mailto:kelly.hughes8@nhs.net))

1. **Clinical Safety Dashboard – update**

The Clinical Safety Dashboard includes 21 different metrics that identify potential variations from standard practice. The metrics are derived from routine data recorded in Foundry, so we cannot tell whether the exceptions are due to changes in clinical practice or recording errors. We need all site managers to review their own data on a regular basis. Clicking on the ‘totals’ for their site will generate a list of events, including the time and date of vaccination. The actual clinical record can then be examined and, when needed, further action taken.

The dashboard has recently been updated to reflect current best practice and the introduction of new vaccines. It’s primarily a quality assurance tool that enables site managers to continually improve practice and reduce errors to the lowest level possible. It also provides an early warning system if there is a sudden change in practice (for example, a spike in recording errors after deployment of a new version of a POC system, or clinical errors after supply of new equipment or vaccines).

1. **Nuvaxovid survey results**

Thank you to everyone who competed the data return request about the use of Nuvaxovid in complex vaccination clinics. The data will be used to assess access to the service and to help inform the planning and management of the specialist vaccination service for COVID-19 going forward. Analysis of the data returns will be sent to those sites carrying out complex vaccination clinics, via an NVOC cascade next week.

1. **Care homes guidance – Infection Prevention Control (IPC) update**

Please see updated guidance for infection prevention and control on adult social care settings: [Infection prevention and control in adult social care: COVID-19 supplement - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.gov.uk%2Fgovernment%2Fpublications%2Finfection-prevention-and-control-in-adult-social-care-covid-19-supplement%3Futm_medium%3Demail%26utm_campaign%3Dgovuk-notifications-single-page%26utm_source%3Dcd8f1caf-af28-413e-bf28-a237542e70b0%26utm_content%3Dimmediately&data=05%7C01%7Cglicb.primarycare%40nhs.net%7Cc0740cbd9de24caadcec08daf257df2d%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638088756466239320%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=bUKCB6jP5OHCGrqbu5cKFT%2BHQW0BmntRBbaZzQUWWB8%3D&reserved=0). Key changes include an announcement on masks (and the recommendation of a risk-based approach), and changes to outbreak management in care homes.

1. **Case Studies**

Case studies are available on the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme Shared Learning platform, to share learning and improvement across the programme. A summary of all case studies available is available [here](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffuture.nhs.uk%2FCovidVaccinations%2Fview%3FobjectID%3D37983184&data=05%7C01%7Cglicb.primarycare%40nhs.net%7Cc0740cbd9de24caadcec08daf257df2d%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638088756466239320%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=%2FdMuR%2FLVrChaom29v%2BQQ2IJ%2FxoBO0GQa7H4DJfXiUu8%3D&reserved=0), and the latest additions include:

* A description of the referral and triage process for a ‘Specialist Nuvaxovid Service’ in Bristol, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire – [link](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffuture.nhs.uk%2FCovidVaccinations%2Fpage%2Fcasestudy%2Fview%3FobjectID%3D40267216%26done%3DOBJChangesSaved&data=05%7C01%7Cglicb.primarycare%40nhs.net%7Cc0740cbd9de24caadcec08daf257df2d%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638088756466239320%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=RAmr%2FWEULqc90Ab3QWheC%2BqJ6xu7zXub%2B7tzu5GeFa4%3D&reserved=0).
* How a joint venture at Feltham and Bedfont PCN enabled them to vaccinate as part of a wider health promotion campaign at a local factory – [link](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffuture.nhs.uk%2FCovidVaccinations%2Fpage%2Fcasestudy%2Fview%3FobjectID%3D40295248&data=05%7C01%7Cglicb.primarycare%40nhs.net%7Cc0740cbd9de24caadcec08daf257df2d%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638088756466239320%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=azH4dzR2Was2OWBiSyIjM08qs6gvJ1EJG1TpVQSdLiM%3D&reserved=0).

Please email your suggestions for an improvement or shared learning case study to email [c6.cag@nhs.net](mailto:c6.cag@nhs.net).

Kind regards,

Eleanor Hunt (Pronouns: She/Her)   
**RVOC Manager,** **SW Regional Vaccination Operations Centre**

NHS England – South West

Email: [england.swcovid19-voc1@nhs.net](mailto:england.swcovid19-voc1@nhs.net) Website: [www.england.nhs.uk](https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.england.nhs.uk%2F&data=05%7C01%7Cglicb.primarycare%40nhs.net%7Cc0740cbd9de24caadcec08daf257df2d%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C0%7C638088756466239320%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=o7SO6dWMbfZBUrmUN5HgpxWsOn4EPLVZF5rlkvyVB0M%3D&reserved=0)