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The coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine will be offered from October to people aged 65 and over, residents in care homes for older people, frontline health and social care workers and anyone aged 6 months and over in a clinical risk group (including pregnant women) to protect them ahead of winter.

### Who is being offered COVID-19 vaccination?

COVID-19 is more serious in older people and in people with certain underlying health conditions. This winter it is expected that many respiratory infections, including COVID-19 and flu may be circulating at high levels – this may put increasing pressure on hospitals and other health care services. For these reasons, people aged 65 years and over, those in older adult care homes, frontline health and social care workers, and those aged 6 months and over in clinical risk groups (including pregnant women) are being offered a COVID-19 vaccine from October.

The vaccination programme is targeted at those at high risk of the complications of COVID-19 infection, who may have not been vaccinated for a few months. As the number of COVID-19 infections may increase over the winter, this should help to reduce your risk of being admitted to hospital with COVID-19. The vaccine may also provide some protection against mild COVID-19 infection but such protection does not last for long.

This latest leaflet supporting the COVID-19 vaccination programme for autumn 2024 describes the vaccine, who is eligible and potential side effects.

An accessible large print Word version is available to download below.

## Details

Format

A5, 4 pages

Target group

Over 65s, residents and staff of care homes, people in a clinical risk group, health and social care staff

# Downloads

Attachment	Size
<a href="#">COVID patient leaflet autumn programme 10_24 FINAL.pdf</a>	530.92 KB
<a href="#">A guide to the COVID vaccination autumn 2024 programme accessible large print 0.docx</a>	16.98 KB

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