

You may be aware of a recent decision to offer more young people the COVID vaccine

People will be invited three months prior to their 18th birthday on a rolling basis

And a further group of those aged 12 – 15 will also be eligible as follows :

- The JCVI had advised on Monday 19 July that children at increased risk of serious COVID-19 disease are offered the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine. That includes children aged 12 to 15 with severe neurodisabilities, Down's syndrome, immunosuppression and multiple or severe learning disabilities.
- The JCVI also recommends that children and young people aged 12 to 17 who live with an immunosuppressed person should be offered the vaccine. This is to indirectly protect their immunosuppressed household contacts, who are at higher risk of serious disease from COVID-19 and may not generate a full immune response to vaccination.

Further detail is awaited with vaccination for those under 16 likely to start in August , we understand that people will be identified via data drawn from the GP record – we will keep you updated

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