

# Coronavirus

Partner update

CORONAVIRUS  
PROTECT  
YOURSELF  
& OTHERS

**Update: 17th May, 2021**

Dear colleagues,

You will have probably have seen on the news that Covid-19 infection rates have gone up considerably in Bolton.

This is a stark reminder that the virus has not gone away.

We are particularly concerned about the Deane, Rumworth and Great Lever areas.

In order to tackle the worrying rise in cases, everyone who lives, works or studies in these areas is urged to take a PCR test. Our vaccination bus is also in the BL3 and BL4 areas area to make it as easy as possible for people who haven't been vaccinated yet to receive their jab. More information on both is below.

More coronavirus restrictions have been eased from today but people are being urged to remain cautious.

Please [follow the guidance](#) and remember to keep your distance, wash your hands regularly, wear a face mask when required and let fresh air in.

Finally, Eid Mubarak to everyone who celebrated!

**Communications and Engagement Team  
NHS Bolton Clinical Commissioning Group**



## Partner Update

### Vaccination bus

Please [share this poster](#) about the Covid-19 vaccination bus which will be at Essa Academy car park, Lever Edge Lane, BL3 3HH from 10am to 5.30pm every day until Sunday, May 23.

Anyone who lives or works in the BL3 and BL4 areas can get their potentially life-saving vaccination on the bus if they meet the current criteria.

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**DON'T DELAY IN GETTING  
YOUR LIFE SAVING  
VACCINATION ON THE BUS!**

**Due to demand...**  
We are at Essa Academy until 23rd May - including weekend!!

**We'll be at:**  
Essa Academy car park  
Lever Edge Lane,  
Bolton, BL3 3HH

- 10am - 5.30pm every day, until Sunday 23rd May

**Vaccinations available for everyone who lives, works or studies in BL3 and BL4 and meets current criteria. 1st doses only**

**Don't put it off!** Help to protect everyone in Bolton by getting your vaccination and stop the spread.

**Don't delay**  
No appointment needed-just turn up!  
Access for wheelchairs



**Are you worried or have concerns?**  
*Let's talk - it's more important than ever!*  
There will be health professionals on the day who can provide further information and support.  
More sites will be added soon, check NHS Bolton CCG social channels for further updates.

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The bus is offering the Pfizer vaccine at this site and is for **first doses only**. No appointment needed – just turn up!

The site is pedestrian access only via Morris Green Lane or Lever Edge Lane. People with mobility issues can be dropped off at the gates but no parking is available onsite. Please park considerably elsewhere as it is a residential area, and try to avoid the end of the school day between 2.45pm-3.30pm when the traffic will be busy.

### Enhanced testing

Anyone who lives, works or studies in Rumworth, Deane or Great Lever who **does not have Covid-19 symptoms** is [being urged to attend a mobile testing unit \(MTU\) for a PCR test](#). This is to help stop the spread of the virus in Bolton.

MTUs are at:

- Memory Lane Wedding Venue, Gilnow Lane BL3 5E
- Makkah Mosque, Grecian Crescent BL3 6QU

Home PCR test kits can also be collected and returned to:

- Deane Road Temple (Shree Swaminarayan Mandir), 161 Deane Road, BL3 5AH

[FAQs about the testing](#) are on Bolton Council's website.

## Easing of lockdown restriction

Bolton Council is [urging people to remain cautious](#) as lockdown restrictions are eased from today (Monday, May 17).

## Sign up to be a Community Champion

We are recruiting Community Champions to help share factual and up-to-date information about Covid-19 with their friends, families and local communities.

This is to make sure that communities in Bolton are protected against Covid-19 so we can get back to normal as soon as possible.

You don't need any experience and you don't have to commit excessive amounts of time!

Community Champions will be fully supported, and have access to optional training and an online asset bank of materials that can be used to share trusted information.

They can also request bespoke materials to meet the needs of their local community.

Champions will also be able to feed back issues and concerns from the community so that we can act on them and give local people a voice.

People can [sign up online](#). If you have any questions please email

[communitychampions@bolton.gov.uk](mailto:communitychampions@bolton.gov.uk)



## Self isolation advice

Planning ahead in case you need to self-isolate can make things easier.

The [10 Ways to Do Your 10 Days checklist](#) can help you to prepare.

## Be a lifesaver

Bolton's Plasma Donor Centre in Bark Street is urgently appealing for men aged 18-65 to donate blood plasma to help people with immune diseases.

The centre was opened by the NHS Blood and Transplant service in 2020.

Donating plasma is safe and easy, and is very similar to blood donation.

It is used to make vital antibody-based medicines for many different conditions, including for those who have a low mature red blood cell count which can happen after radiotherapy or chemotherapy.

Find out more about blood plasma donation at [www.blood.co.uk](http://www.blood.co.uk).

If you no longer want to receive this email then please email [bolccg.communications@nhs.net](mailto:bolccg.communications@nhs.net) and we will remove you from our distribution list.

We will endeavour to keep you updated but as the situation is changing rapidly, you should check the national coronavirus guidance regularly.

The information in this update is correct at the time of issue. It is gathered from a number of sources including Bolton Council, CVS and Healthwatch.



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