

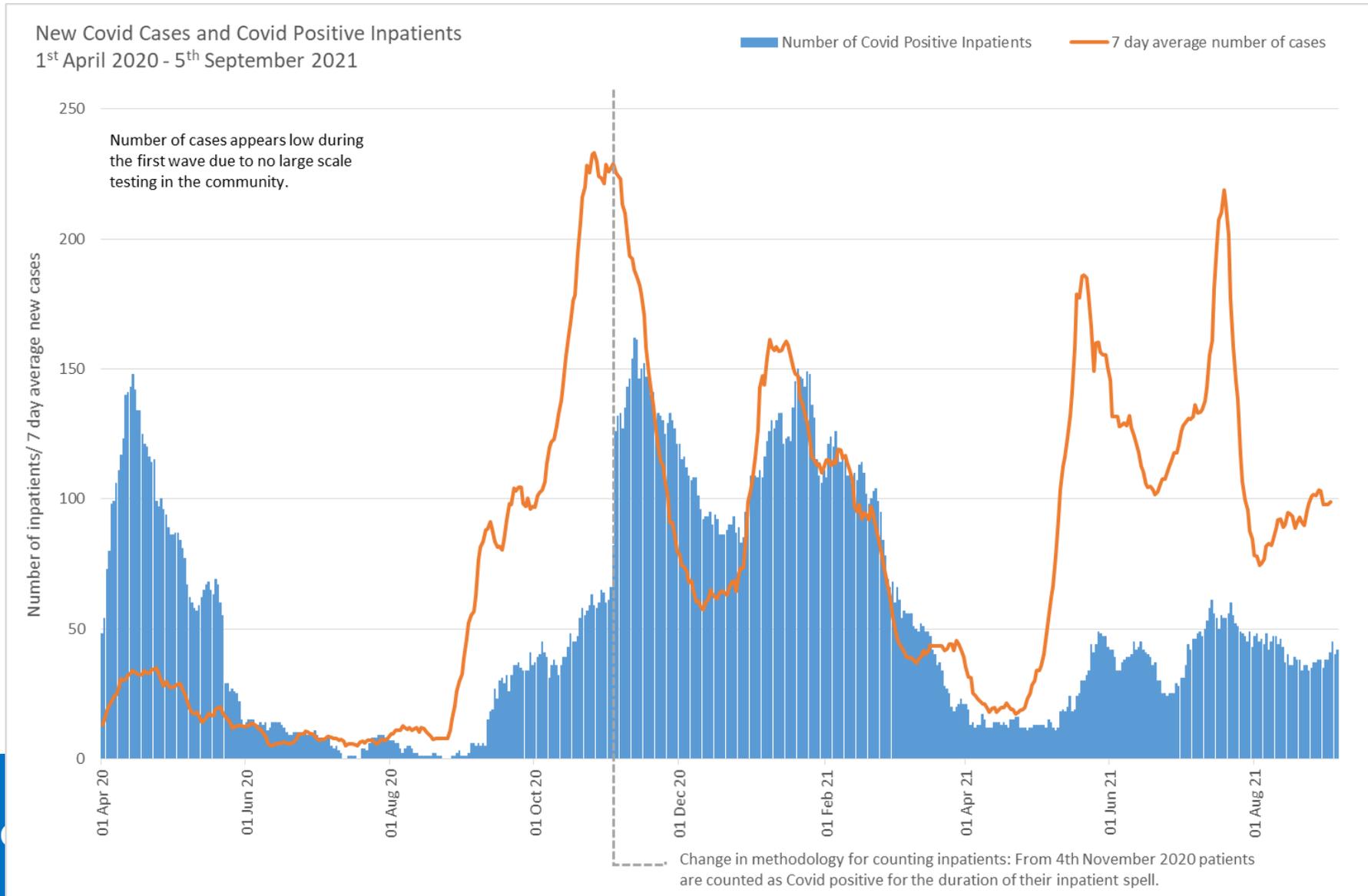
Covid Update

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Bolton Covid-19 rate: 237.3 cases per 100,000 population in latest 7 days (gov.uk website)



Current Vaccination doses given by age group (7 September 2021, Bolton registered patients)

First doses given: 198,872 78.9% of all adults (GM 77.9%)

Second doses given: 179,563 71.3% of all adults

	Individuals	First Dose	% First Dose/ Individuals	Second Dose	% Second Dose/ Individuals
Age 80+	12,542	12,048	96.1%	11,905	94.9%
Age 75-79	10,322	9,943	96.3%	9,867	95.6%
Age 70-74	14,473	13,730	94.9%	13,591	93.9%
Age 65-69	14,305	13,337	93.2%	13,147	91.9%
Age 60-64	17,009	15,607	91.8%	15,306	90.0%
Age 55-59	20,439	18,404	90.0%	17,796	87.1%
Age 50-54	21,823	18,961	86.9%	18,126	83.1%
Age 40-49	40,760	32,785	80.4%	30,000	73.6%
Age 30-39	45,473	30,974	68.1%	26,023	57.2%
Age 18-29	46,275	28,696	62.0%	21,438	46.3%
Age 16-17	8,192	4,028	49.2%	2,358	28.8%
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Clinically Extremely Vulnerable	23,903	22,155	92.7%	21,342	89.3%

All sites now offering vaccines to aged 16-17

- Eligible as per JCVI 4th August
- Delay to starting due to guidance issued to sites requiring 'child risk assessment' sign off before they could start
- Large variation across our town of young people numbers. The area with the largest population of 16-17 year olds is Central who have up to 3 times as many 16-17 year old patients than areas such as Horwich.
- A Bolton young persons campaign by the CCG through the summer, with targeted messages to age groups on social media

12-15 year olds (those at greatest risk from COVID-19)

JCVI approved in August: covid vaccination for those aged 12 to 15 years and at increased risk of serious COVID-19. Includes those with:

(a) severe neuro-disabilities;

(b) Down's syndrome;

(c) underlying conditions resulting in immunosuppression; and/or

(d) profound and multiple learning disabilities (PMLD), severe learning disabilities or who are on the learning disability register;

or who are the household contacts of individuals (either adults or children) who are immunosuppressed

but only where the patient has been assessed as competent to consent and does consent, or is not assessed as competent but does not object and consent is provided by somebody with parental responsibility

Few Key points to note:

- Sites must meet children assessment sign off
- Pharmacy sites do not meet these criteria so cannot vaccinate under 16s.
- Target date that all eligible children offered/ vaccinated by 23 August
- All practices not involved had public interest duty to provide lists to CCG of eligible children

Chief Medical Officer has been asked to guide the NHS in England on whether to vaccinate remaining 12-15 year olds.

This guidance is awaited.

Vaccinating immunosuppressed individuals with a 3rd primary dose

Guidance received on 2 September following JCVI decision

“JCVI advises that a third primary dose be offered to individuals aged 12 years and over with severe immunosuppression in proximity of their first or second COVID-19 vaccine doses in the primary schedule.”

- Hospital Specialists and PCNs are expected to identify the people needing this 3rd primary dose
- Being a primary dose and not a booster, this is not covered by the contract for booster doses so we are working to ensure that all patients requiring this 3rd dose can be offered one.
- Target to commence 13 September, once systems for recording are updated

Care Home Staff Vaccinations

All staff over 18 years of age are required to have had dose 1 by 16th September to have both doses by 11th November.

We are supporting Bolton Council – joint webinar held 24 August

From 11th November, it will become law that anyone entering a care home must have had a complete course of an authorised COVID 19 vaccine. This means you will only be able to enter a care home if you are vaccinated (or exempt), unless you are:

- Residents in the home
- Family and friends visiting a care home resident including essential care givers
- Emergency services
- Any person providing emergency assistance
- Any person undertaking urgent maintenance work
- Any person visiting service users who are dying or experiencing bereavement
- Any person under the age of 18



Phase 3-Covid Booster

The 'phase 3' covid booster programme requires sign up to a new contract

In Bolton, some PCN vaccination groupings will stay the same, some will not continue

To ensure a service for the whole population, a combination of PCN groupings that continue and pharmacy sites will be used

The initial start date for Covid Boosters of 6 September has been delayed as further research evidence is awaited to decide the cohort groups.

Flu vaccination and Covid boosters

The CCG are taking a local lead on flu vaccination to join up with covid boosters

Further guidance on vaccinating at the same time, which vaccines to use is awaited

There are many challenges to overcome related to co-delivery of vaccines, including the models of care, supplies of the flu vaccine and Astra Zeneca Covid vaccine.