



The Cedars Surgery  
wilderness medical centre

## COVID-19 Vaccination Campaign

### Vaccine update 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021:

The Maidenhead Primary Care Network, led by Dr Amandeep Dosanjh continues to vaccinate local patients registered at a Maidenhead GP Practice and have so far administered over 75,000 vaccines.

We have now invited all adults 18 and over to have their vaccinations at The Desborough Suite. If you are aged 18 or over and have not received an invite by text all phone call from the surgery then please call now to book your appointment at The Desborough Suite - 01628 620 458. You may also receive a letter or text from the NHS to book in to a mass vaccination site. If you choose to book in to our Primary Care led service at The Desborough Suite, then please do so and cancel you other booking at the mass site.

We are now also offering **walk-in clinics at The Desborough Suite** for both the Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccines. Please look out on social media and the practice website for when these clinics will be. Have your NHS to hand, however, it does not matter if you do not know or do not have an NHS number.

Thank you for your patience and understanding during this very busy time in general practice.

**The vaccination site is located at The Desborough Suite, Maidenhead Town Hall SL6 1RF.**

Many thanks  
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## Vaccine Passport:

### How to access your COVID-19 vaccination

You can access your COVID-19 vaccination status through the free [NHS App](#) from 17 May. You can access it through mobile devices such as a smartphone or tablet. Proof of your COVID-19 vaccination status is shown within the NHS App. We recommend that you register with the app before booking international travel.

If you do not have access to a smartphone and the country you are travelling to requires COVID-19 vaccination status, you can call the NHS helpline (from 17 May) and ask for a letter to be posted to you. The letter must be at least 5 days after you've completed your course of the vaccine. We expect the letter to take 5-7 days to reach you.

### Minimum 8 week gap between doses:

In recent days there have been numerous reports nationally of communications, including social media posts, being released locally that advise people to attend second vaccination appointments before the minimum 8-week interval, in some cases as little as 3-4 weeks after the first vaccination.

*Please reiterate to all staff at your vaccination site that such communications should not be sent or posted, as there is no change to the current guidance around dosing intervals which should be a minimum of 8-weeks unless there are specific clinical reasons to administer a second dose sooner.*

Thank you for your cooperation in ensuring that we are advising our citizens in the South East region in line with current JCVI guidance.

### Under 18 vaccinations:

We're not generally authorised to vaccinate 16 and 17 years olds – however, there are some exceptions,

There is some advice in the green book (p.14-15) which states the following:

Young people age 16-18 years, who are employed in, studying or in training for health and social care work should be offered vaccination alongside their colleagues, if a suitable vaccine is available (see section on age specific recommendations).

Younger people who are taking part in health and social care work as volunteers, interns or for the purposes of work experience, should make all efforts to avoid exposure to infection; vaccination would not normally be required.

### Useful links:

[COVID-19 AstraZeneca & Blood Clotting - Patient Information Leaflet.pdf](#)

[AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine and blood clots: review of safety data](#)

[PHE COVID-19 vaccination guide on pregnancy English \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](#)

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