

## Place Based Director Report for Bromley

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Following the Prime Minister's announcement that the final stage of easing lockdown restrictions in England is to be delayed until 19 July, there has been a further intensive drive across London to increase the uptake of Covid vaccinations. This continues to be our priority focus and we are reporting daily on the numbers vaccinated and the initiatives being put in place to increase the offer of a vaccine, opportunities to get vaccinated and improve vaccine confidence.

In Bromley, the CCG continues to work closely with our partners, who have been critical in helping us reach communities and deliver a coordinated and joined up vaccination programme. Over recent weeks we have put in place additional clinics in areas of higher cases of COVID-19 such as Biggin Hill where over 1,000 people were vaccinated at four additional clinics set up in the local children's centre. [We have also started door to door leaflet drops](#) in areas of lower uptake including Mottingham, Crays, Crystal Palace, Plaistow and Sundridge, Copers Cope and Penge. This will shortly be followed by door knockers, who will target specific areas of lower uptake and speak to people to encourage vaccine uptake. The first priority area will be in Mottingham.

An information pod set up at the Glades Shopping Centre and staffed by GP trainees has proved to be very popular and we plan to extend this approach to other shopping centre areas across the borough. Staff at the pod are able to answer questions and help people to get booked in for a vaccine.

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### How to get your COVID-19 vaccination in Bromley

Doctors in Bromley are urging all adults to have their COVID-19 vaccination as soon as possible and join the thousands of people in Bromley already protected.

The vaccine is safe and effective and will give you the best protection against coronavirus. It is never too late to get the vaccine, which has already saved thousands of lives and protected thousands more from becoming ill. To make sure you get maximum protection, you need to have both doses of the vaccine.

For more information visit [www.selondonccg.nhs.uk](http://www.selondonccg.nhs.uk)

All adults are eligible for the Covid vaccination, and you don't need to be registered with a GP practice to get one. See overleaf for details and how to book.

If you have questions about the vaccine, please visit [www.nhsvaccinefacts.com](http://www.nhsvaccinefacts.com) for answers and other information.

### How to book your COVID-19 vaccination in Bromley

Vaccination clinics are available at a number of GP led clinics across Bromley. You can find all the details here [www.selondonccg.nhs.uk/BromleyVaccination](http://www.selondonccg.nhs.uk/BromleyVaccination) or by scanning here.

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There are also many 'pop-up' vaccination clinics you can go to, both in Bromley and across south east London. Some of these you can just walk in without an appointment. You can find all the details here [www.selondonccg.nhs.uk/popupclinics](http://www.selondonccg.nhs.uk/popupclinics) or by scanning here.

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Or you can book a vaccination using the National Booking System at [www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination](http://www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination) or call 119

Protect yourself, your family and your friends by getting your jab.

We have introduced vaccination passes to support those who are homeless, in emergency accommodation, suffering from serious mental health illnesses or have a learning disability or care for someone who does, to be able to walk into a range of vaccination centres to get a vaccine.

As well as being able to book an appointment at one of our many vaccination clinics online or by calling 119, [pop-up walk-in vaccination](#) clinics have been made available across south east London at a wide variety of locations. These include hospitals, health centres, shopping areas, sports stadiums, and community centres.

We have also published articles in the local paper and online to encourage people to turn up for their vaccinations and stress the importance of having two doses.

## **Services for Long Covid**

The CCG is continuing to develop services for Bromley patients with post-COVID-19 syndrome – also known as long covid.

Post-COVID-19 syndrome is where a patient suffers signs and symptoms that develop during or after an infection consistent with COVID-19 that continue for more than 12 weeks and are not explained by an alternative diagnosis.

A specialist post-COVID syndrome assessment clinic has been running at the Princess Royal University Hospital (PRUH) since April. We have been working with primary care in developing resources, such as protocols and referral forms to support patients. One Bromley partners have been working on the mobilisation of wider community services to develop a multi-organisational and multi-disciplinary team approach to supporting patients with long covid. With support from the PRUH, Bromley Healthcare and the Bromley Third Sector Enterprise, the support provided will include both physical and mental health, such as therapy, IAPT and respiratory services.

We are also working across south east London to develop self-management tools for patients to use.

## **Single point of access – discharge**

The Single Point of Access (SPA) for discharge continues to function well, enabling >80% of medically fit patients to be discharged from hospital on the same day.

There is a significant programme of work underway to formalise and finesse the current SPA arrangements and hospital discharge pathways, to ensure they are mainstreamed when the Covid19 discharge funding is no longer available from the beginning of quarter three and they do not place any additional financial risk on any organisations.

A programme of engagement is underway to seek feedback on the discharge pathway in order to understand what is working well and what areas may need improvement.

Telephone interviews will be undertaken with those who have been on the pathway and staff delivering the services will be asked for their feedback. The outcome of this engagement will also inform any improvements that may be needed to the information provided on discharge arrangements.

We are delighted that the SPA has been shortlisted as a finalist for the [Municipal Journal awards](#). Award winners will be announced in September.

## **Medicines Management**

The work of the Medicines Optimisation (MO) Team continues to be dominated by support to the Covid Vaccination Programme in Bromley. The MO Team have been working with the Regional Vaccination Operation Centre (RVOC) to provide medicines governance advice on the use of these novel vaccines within mobile and pop-up sites, where challenges have increased with the hot weather. Pharmacists from the team continue to offer support at an operational level where required by the Local Vaccination Site (LVS). In addition, the MO team are working with Community Pharmacy LVS who will shortly be offering additional walk-in clinics including during out of hours to support the current vaccine surge. Vaccine champions are being rapidly set up in community pharmacies across South East London to offer customers and patients the opportunity to discuss the vaccine and support booking a vaccine appointment where this is required.

Work has continued to support GP practices and Primary Care Networks in improving and prioritising patient safety relating to medicines as well as prioritising long term condition management and medicine review. This work includes direct support/training on medicine related issues to care homes including smaller homes caring for Learning and Physical Disabilities. Medicines related webinars have supported primary care clinicians including PCN pharmacists e.g., [on managing/reviewing LD patient medicines](#) and paediatric prescribing.