

## **COVID-19 Vaccination Programme goes live in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough**

Teams of trained vaccinators will start to vaccinate patients against coronavirus at Addenbrooke's Hospital and Peterborough City Hospital from this week at the start of the biggest immunisation programme in history.

People aged 80 and over as well as care home workers will be first to receive the jab, along with NHS workers who are at higher risk.

A dedicated team from across our health and social care system have been working through the weekend to prepare for the launch of the programme, with the first vaccinations happening later this week.

There are 50 hospital hubs in the first wave, including Addenbrooke's and Peterborough City Hospitals, and more hospitals will start vaccinating over the coming weeks and months as the programme ramps up.

We will be starting to call people who fall into the [priority groups](#) over from today to book appointments. Over the coming weeks we will be extending deliveries to local vaccination services, and we hope that later this month the MHRA will allow batches to be split, meaning that vaccination teams can go into care homes to vaccinate those who can't go to other services.

You can really help the NHS deliver this effectively to those who need it most. Our asks are:

1. we will contact you when it's the right time to come forward, so please don't contact the NHS to seek a vaccine before then;
2. please act on your invite when it comes, and make sure you attend your appointments when you arrange them;
3. and, of course, please continue to abide by all the social distancing, wearing of face masks and hand hygiene guidance, which will still save lives.

You can find out more about the COVID-19 vaccination here: <https://www.cambridgeshireandpeterboroughhccg.nhs.uk/news-and-events/latest-news/covid-19-national-vaccination-programme/>