

Media information For immediate use

Isle of Arran opportunities for vaccination

Following updated guidance from the JCVI related to the Omicron variant, adults 18-49, living on Arran will now be able to get their booster vaccine at a vaccination clinic, along with second doses for 12-17 year olds.

Delivering vaccinations on Arran has a number of logistical challenges, therefore, as with previous clinics, all eligible cohorts are being vaccinated at this mass vaccination clinic. The venue for the vaccination will once again be Arran High School.

Members of these groups should call the Arran Medical Group to make an appointment to attend the high school for a clinic scheduled to take place on **Saturday 11 December 2021**. Depending on take up at this clinic a further clinic may be held in mid January 2022.

Please contact the surgery on **01770 600516**. We ask that you **call between 2pm and 5.15pm Monday to Friday** to make the appointment. This arrangement is to keep the practice lines clear for routine enquiries and appointments during the daytime. If you are unable to attend the clinics scheduled for your group, there will be a further opportunity to get your vaccination in January.

Ruth Betley, Senior Manager – Arran Services for North Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership, said: “The vaccination programme for Arran has been highly successful since we first delivered COVID-19 vaccines to residents. Uptake has been phenomenal and that is great news, as vaccination offers the best protection we have against the negative effects of the virus.

“We are now delighted to be able to welcome those eligible for a third booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine and 12-17 year olds for their second doses. Please call the Arran Medical Group after 2pm and 5.15pm Monday to Friday to make that appointment and we will book you in.

“New guidance means that the third dose of COVID-19 vaccine can be given to people in those eligible groups and where it has been at least three months since their second vaccine.

In partnership with

Media information For immediate use

“I would like to take this opportunity to give my thanks once again to all those on Arran who have helped to ensure the vaccine programme runs smoothly. In particular, I would like to thank our colleagues in North Ayrshire Council, for allowing us to use Arran High School for the vaccination programme.”

Background:

- To make a vaccination appointment please contact the surgery on 01770 600516 between 2pm and 5.15pm Monday to Friday.
- For more information on side effects associated with the COVID-19 vaccines please visit NHS Inform: <https://www.nhsinform.scot/covid-19-vaccine/the-vaccines/side-effects-of-the-coronavirus-vaccines>

Date of release: Friday 3 December 2021

For further media enquiries about this topic, please contact:

Miriam Porte
Communications Manager
NHS Ayrshire & Arran
University Hospital Crosshouse
Kilmarnock KA2 0BE

Telephone: 01563 826108
Out of hours: 07769 648975

Email: miriam.porte@aapct.scot.nhs.uk
Website: www.nhsaaa.net

Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/nhsaaa
Follow us on Twitter @NHSaaa



In partnership with