

Below is a summary of those who are eligible for a free NHS (or other locally funded) flu vaccination in community pharmacy. This is not a complete list. Other eligible groups and ages may be able to get a free flu vaccination via their GP.

### England (NHS)\*

(Most Boots pharmacies in England will be providing free NHS flu vaccinations from September 2022 – please check in store for details)

**NHS England Eligibility Update:** Adults aged 50-64 years old will be eligible for a free NHS flu jab from 15<sup>th</sup> October 2022

- Age 65+ years (including those turning 65 years on or before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023)
- Adults aged 50-64 years (including those turning 50 years on or before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023) from 15<sup>th</sup> October
- Pregnant women
- Age 18+ years with any of the following conditions:
  - Diabetes
  - Asthma (treated with a preventer inhaler) / COPD or any other long-term lung condition
  - A long-term heart condition
  - Kidney or liver disease
  - A neurological condition such as Parkinson's disease, motor neurone disease or MS
  - A learning disability
  - A Body Mass Index (BMI) of 40 or more (severely overweight)
- Those who have (or who are in close contact with someone who has) a weakened immune system due to a medical condition (such as HIV), medication or treatment (e.g. cancer chemotherapy)
- Carers in receipt of carer's allowance, or who are main carer of an older or disabled person
- Frontline healthcare workers in social care or a hospice that does not have an employer-led occupational health flu vaccination scheme
- Those who live in long-stay residential care

### Wales (NHS)\*

(Most Boots pharmacies in Wales will be providing free NHS flu vaccinations from September 2022 – please check in store for details)

- Age 50+ years (including those turning 50 years on or before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023)
- Pregnant women
- Age 18+ years with any of the following conditions:
  - Diabetes
  - Asthma (treated with a preventer inhaler)
  - COPD or other long-term lung condition
  - A long-term heart condition
  - Kidney or liver disease
  - A neurological condition such as Parkinson's disease, motor neurone disease or MS
  - A learning disability
  - A Body Mass Index (BMI) of 40 or more (severely overweight)
- Those who have (or who are in close contact with someone who has) a weakened immune system due to a medical condition (such as HIV), medication or treatment (e.g. cancer chemotherapy)
- Carers, social care workers, hospice workers or frontline healthcare workers who have direct patient contact
- Those who live in long-stay residential care

### Scotland (NHS)\*

(To be confirmed whether any Boots pharmacies in Scotland will be providing free NHS flu vaccinations from September 2022)

- Age 50-64 years and over (including those turning 50 years on or before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023)
- Pregnant women
- Age 18+ years with any of the following conditions:
  - Diabetes
  - Asthma (treated with a preventer inhaler) / COPD or any other long-term lung condition
  - A long-term heart condition
  - Kidney or liver disease
  - A neurological condition such as Parkinson's disease, motor neurone disease or MS
  - A learning disability
  - A Body Mass Index (BMI) of 40 or more (severely overweight)
- Those who have (or who are in close contact with someone who has) a weakened immune system due to a medical condition (such as HIV), medication or treatment (e.g. cancer chemotherapy)
- Carers in receipt of carer's allowance, or who are the main carer of an older or disabled person
- Health and social care workers directly involved in the care of patients
- Those who live in long-stay residential care
- Secondary school pupils
- Teachers and pupil-facing support staff
- Independent contractors (GP, dental, optometry and community pharmacy practices), non-NHS laboratory staff (if working on COVID-19 testing during the flu season) including support staff

### Northern Ireland (HSC funded)\*

(To be confirmed which Boots pharmacies in Northern Ireland will be providing free HSC funded flu vaccinations from September 2022)

- Age 65+ years (including those turning 65 years on or before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023)
- Pregnant women
- Age 18+ years with any of the following conditions:
  - Diabetes
  - Asthma (treated with a preventer inhaler)
  - COPD or other long-term lung condition
  - A long-term heart condition
  - Kidney or liver disease
  - A neurological condition such as Parkinson's disease, motor neurone disease or MS
  - A learning disability
  - A Body Mass Index (BMI) of 40 or more (severely overweight)
- Those who have (or who are in close contact with someone who has) a weakened immune system due to a medical condition (such as HIV), medication or treatment (e.g. cancer chemotherapy)
- Those in long-stay residential care homes
- Carers
- Frontline health and social care workers (HSCWs) employed by GPs, pharmacies, dentists, registered independent residential care/nursing homes, registered domiciliary care providers and voluntary managed hospice providers

### Isle of Man (NHS)\*

(Our Boots pharmacy on Isle of Man will be providing free NHS flu vaccinations from September 2022 – please check in store for details)

- Age 50+ years (including those turning 50 years on or before 31st March 2023)
- Pregnant women
- Age 18+ years with any of the following conditions:
  - Diabetes
  - Asthma (treated with a preventer inhaler) / COPD or any other long-term lung condition
  - A long-term heart condition
  - Kidney or liver disease
  - A neurological condition such as Parkinson's disease, motor neurone disease or MS
  - A learning disability
  - A Body Mass Index (BMI) of 40 or more (severely overweight)
- Those who have (or who are in close contact with someone who has) a weakened immune system due to a medical condition (such as HIV), medication or treatment (e.g. cancer chemotherapy)
- Carers in receipt of carer's allowance, or who are main carer of an older or disabled person
- Frontline healthcare workers in social care or a hospice
- Those who live in long-stay residential care

### Jersey (States-funded)\*

All our Boots pharmacies in Jersey will offer the free States-funded flu vaccination. Eligibility criteria to be confirmed, please visit: [www.gov.je](http://www.gov.je)

### Guernsey\*

Private service only available at Boots. Eligibility criteria and charges apply. (Please check eligibility for accessing the flu vaccination elsewhere with your GP surgery).

**\*Please note:** the eligibility for a free flu vaccination varies across the UK and the criteria may change during the flu season, so you may want to check local guidance before booking.