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Newyddion Coronafeirws COVID-19



News Headlines

[No changes to COVID rules as First Minister thanks people of Wales for their help in cutting case rates](#)

First Minister Mark Drakeford has thanked people across Wales for their hard work to help reduce rates of coronavirus outbreaks – rates that had reached unprecedented levels – over the past three weeks.

[Expanding the use of NHS COVID Pass to help keep Wales open over the winter](#)

Starting today we will need an NHS COVID Pass in cinemas, theatres and concert halls in Wales.

'Shop well, shop kindly: everyone has a responsibility to stop covid spreading and to keep our shops open – Economy Minister

With Coronavirus levels still high in Wales, Vaughan Gething is begging shoppers and retailers to do their part and keep people safe by wearing face coverings when shopping indoors.

'Support the Health Service this winter by having your booster vaccination' is the Health Minister's message

The Health Minister is urging people to have their COVID-19 booster vaccination this autumn to support the National Health Service before winter.

Statement from the Deputy Chief Medical Officer COVID-19 Review, 21 days:18 November 2021

Deputy Chief Medical Officer for Wales Statement on the 21 day COVID-19 review: 18 November 2021.

Other News

The Welsh Government's response to the latest NHS Wales performance data

The Welsh Government has responded to the latest NHS performance data published today.

Investment of over £51m in new diagnostic equipment to ensure NHS Wales facilities are "fit for the 21st century"

Health Minister Eluned Morgan has announced that more than £51m will be invested to replace old diagnostic imaging equipment across NHS Wales, and to improve waiting times.

£3m funding boost to help recovery of dental services in Wales after pandemic

Dental services in Wales will receive an additional £3m of new funding this year to support their recovery from the effects of the pandemic and provide additional access for patients.

Guidelines

Get your NHS COVID pass

How to get an NHS COVID Pass to show you've been vaccinated against COVID-19, or you've had a negative test.

Schools: coronavirus guidance

Changes to learning and teaching in schools.

Using the NHS COVID Pass to attend major events and nightclubs

Use the NHS COVID Pass to prove you have had the full course of the vaccine or have had a negative test to attend major events, nightclubs and similar venues.

Using the NHS COVID Pass to travel internationally

Use the NHS COVID Pass to show others, when travelling abroad, that you have had a COVID-19 vaccine.

[COVID-19 vaccine for 12 to 15-year-olds](#)

A guide explaining why 12 to 15-year-olds are being offered a COVID-19 vaccine.

[Travelling to Wales: covid-19 testing and isolation](#)

What you must do to protect Wales from coronavirus when you arrive from abroad.

[International students arriving in Wales: coronavirus](#)

Guidance for international student accommodation providers.

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How and when you and your household need to self-isolate if you have symptoms, if you have had a positive outcome, or if you have been in contact with someone with COVID-19.

Policy and strategy

[Coronavirus management plan: autumn and winter 2021 update](#)

This update to the coronavirus management plan focuses on the options available to us over the autumn and winter period.

[Coronavirus management plan](#)

Coronavirus management plans set out how we will all work together to manage the risks of coronavirus in Wales.

Test Trace Protect

Our strategy for testing the general public and tracking the spread of coronavirus in Wales.

COVID-19 vaccination programme: weekly updates

Includes who is currently vaccinated and where vaccinations take place.

Coronavirus management plan: autumn and winter 2021 update

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Alert level 0: guidance for the public

What you have to do in alert level 0.

Alert level 0: guidance for employers, businesses and organisations

What businesses, employers, organisations and organisers of activities and events need to do in Wales at alert level 0.

Alert level 0: summary

Summary of what you must do at alert level 0.

Alert level 0: frequently asked questions

Guidance on how to protect yourself and what rules are in place to protect people at alert level 0.

Policy and strategy

Legislation, Technical Advice and Statistics

[Coronavirus legislation: restrictions on individuals, businesses and others](#)

Regulations to place restrictions on individuals, businesses and others to protect public health.

[Coronavirus management plans](#)

Coronavirus management plans set out how we will all work together to manage the risks of coronavirus in Wales.

[Evidence and data used to inform coronavirus restrictions](#)

The evidence the Welsh Government is using to decide how to protect everyone from coronavirus.

[Coronavirus advice from the Technical Advice Cell](#)

Information to help ministers respond to the COVID-19 pandemic in a way that is in the best interests of the people of Wales.

[COVID-19 situational reports](#)

Detailed data and information on COVID-19 incidence rates.

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) related statistics and research](#)

Latest data and analysis on the impact of coronavirus on Welsh society.

[Impact assessments: coronavirus](#)

Assessments of how our measures to manage COVID-19 impact on equality.

Promotional Material and Toolkits

Here's sharing with you the latest Safeguarding Wales assets. You can use them on your communication channels – website, newsletter, social media.

[NHS COVID Pass Promotional Material](#)

The above links will be updated frequently.

[Test, Trace and Protect Promotional Material](#)

The latest posters, explanation documents and multilingual assets are available here

[Business Wales Toolkit](#)

Practical resources to help employers keep their employees safe in the workplace.

[COVID-19 risk assessment tool for the workforce](#)

This resource helps you consider your personal risk factors for COVID-19 and recommends how you can stay safe.

NHS COVID-19 App

Do you use the NHS COVID-19 app? The app allows you to report symptoms, order a coronavirus test, and register at locations by scanning a QR code. The app does this while protecting your anonymity. If you have already downloaded the app, remember to use it - the more people use the app, the greater our chances of reducing the spread of the virus. The app is an important part of our Test, Trace, Protect program.

Self-isolation support scheme

If the NHS COVID-19 app has notified you to self-isolate, you can now apply via the app for a payment of £750 as part of the self-isolation support scheme to help with loss of earnings.

Knowledge



Education and childcare

Coronavirus guidance for parents, all those working in education and childcare providers



Businesses and employers

Support to help businesses and third sector organisations affected by coronavirus



Health advice

Staying at home, self-isolating, being supported as an extremely vulnerable person



Health and social care professionals

Coronavirus guidance for the NHS and people working in social, community and residential care



Or

Guidance for landlords, park homes (mobile) and rough sleeping services during the coronavirus pandemic



Travel

Coronavirus advice for people coming from abroad or planning to travel



Volunteering (third sector)

Volunteering during the coronavirus pandemic, support for the third sector



Community services

Planning, fire, domestic abuse and sexual violence



Jobs, skills and financial support

Help with benefits, staying at work and gaining new skills

Useful links

[Welsh Government](#)

[Public Health Wales](#)

[Business Wales](#)

[Volunteering Wales](#)

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A newsletter to provide the latest information and advice from Welsh Government on Coronavirus (COVID-19).

More information on the web:

gov.wales/coronavirus

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