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Newyddion Coronafeirws COVID-19



News Headlines

[People asked to protect Wales as alert level 2 measures remain in place](#)

First Minister Mark Drakeford has asked people to continue to take steps to protect each other and protect Wales from the wave of Omicron outbreaks.

[Eligibility check for £120m Omicron business support package goes live](#)

Businesses in Wales affected by the rapid spread of the Omicron virus can now find out how much they can expect to receive in emergency financial support from the Welsh Government.

[More than £100m of new funding helps make schools and colleges safe for Covid](#)

Schools and colleges will receive £103 million of Welsh Government funding as learners return for the January term.

All eligible adults offered COVID-19 booster vaccine in Wales

All health boards in Wales have confirmed today (31 December) that they have offered a booster vaccine appointment to all eligible adults.

Welsh vaccination army grows as the armed forces, GPs and pharmacies commit to supporting

Health Minister Eluned Morgan has thanked the thousands of extra NHS staff and volunteers who are successful in the Covid-19 strengthening programme in Wales.

Other News

£18 million to strengthen support for children and young people with Additional Learning Needs

New funding to support children and young people with Additional Learning Needs (ALN) has been announced by Jeremy Miles, Minister for Welsh Language and Education.

£21m for the future of the voluntary sector in Wales

£7m a year will be given to support the voluntary sector in Wales over the current Welsh Government term, a commitment of over £21m over the next three years.

£900,000 boost for broadband projects in Powys

A local broadband project in Powys will receive funding of over £900,000, to help them provide fast and reliable broadband for the communities they need, thanks to the Welsh Government's Local Broadband Fund.

Wales stars on screen in 2022

During 2021, Wales had one of the busiest periods ever in terms of film and television activity, with more than 24 productions being filmed across the country between May and October – which means that there will be many opportunities to see our lovely country on screen in 2022.

NHS Wales employees recognised in Queen's New Year Honours

The Minister for Health and Social Services, Eluned Morgan, and the Chief Executive of NHS Wales, Judith Paget, have congratulated NHS Wales workers who have been recognised in the Queen's New Year Honours.

Animal health and welfare plan key to the future of Wales - Rural Affairs Minister

Improving standards in a way that protects trade and creates a more sustainable farming sector is key to the Welsh Government's new Animal Health and Welfare Action Plan.

Guidelines

Alert level 2: summary

A summary of what you have to do and what is open at medium alert level 2.

Alert level 2: guidance for employers, businesses and organisations

What businesses, employers, organisations and organisers of activities and events need to do in Wales at alert level 2.

Alert level 2: guidance for the public

What you have to do in alert level 2.

Get your COVID-19 vaccine

Ask your local health board about the vaccine arrangements.

Countries with their COVID-19 vaccination programmes recognised in Wales

Find out if your COVID-19 vaccination from another country is recognised in Wales.

COVID-19 one-way flow tests for people without symptoms

How COVID-19 flow tests work and their role in our national testing programme.

Contact tracing: if you are named as a close contact

Explain how the contact tracing system works if you have been confirmed as the contact of a person who has tested positive for coronavirus.

Contact tracing: if you have tested positive

Explain how the contact tracing system works if you have tested positive for coronavirus.

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What you should do if you have symptoms of COVID-19, if you have tested positive for COVID-19, or if you have been in contact with someone with COVID-19.

COVID-19: testing healthcare workers

Guidance on testing healthcare staff to ensure the safety of patients and service users.

Testing for asymptomatic coronavirus in schools, further education and childcare settings

Guidance on coronavirus asymptomatic testing in schools and colleges.

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.

COVID pass: guidance for businesses and events

How businesses and event organisers should check their customers' COVID-19 status.

Travelling to Wales: covid-19 testing and isolation

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

Schools: coronavirus guidance

Changes to learning and teaching in schools.

Children and young people at increased clinical risk and clinically extremely vulnerable adults: guidance for education settings

Advice for schools and settings to support children and young people at increased clinical risk and clinically vulnerable adults.

Childcare and playwork guidance: coronavirus

How to prepare your childcare service to allow more children to attend, and protect them and your staff from coronavirus.

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.

Slides and datasets from the First Minister's coronavirus briefing: 7 January 2022

Statistical information from the First Minister's coronavirus briefing on 7 January 2022.

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 legislation: international travel

Regulations to impose restrictions and requirements following international travel.

Coronavirus management plans

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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.

First Minister's Advisory Group on COVID-19 and Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic People, Scientific Sub Group: risk assessment

Summarise the work completed by the Scientific Sub Group in developing a COVID-19 Risk Assessment Tool for the Workforce.

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 package

You can display and share these posters to promote and explain the NHS COVID Pass.

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The link to the new asset bank **includes all** 'break-the-transfer' assets to be used across a wide range of communication channels.

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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