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Newyddion Coronafeirws COVID-19



News Headlines

[Plan to phase in covid restrictions continued – First Minister](#)

First Minister Mark Drakeford has confirmed that Wales will move fully to a zero alert level on 28 January, unless the public health situation worsens.

[Sports fans return to outdoor events as Spectator Sports Fund allocated](#)

As restrictions for outdoor spectator sport move to zero alert level this weekend, the first phase of the Welsh Government's £3 million Spectator Sport Fund is now being allocated, according to Deputy Minister for Arts and Sport, Dawn Bowden.

[£14 million boost for Welsh food and drink businesses](#)

BlasCymru/TasteWales 2021 has already helped drive around £14m in new business deals and potential deals for Welsh food and drink businesses, according to initial feedback.

Economic Resilience Fund receives applications for emergency financial assistance

Businesses in Wales affected by the rapid spread of the Omicron virus can apply for emergency financial support from the Welsh Government's Economic Resilience Fund.

Health plan a 'tremendous help' to ease winter pressures on the Health Service

Health Minister Eluned Morgan has said that a scheme that helps vulnerable people to be treated at home and avoid unnecessary visits to accident and emergency departments will 'tremendously help' to ease the pressure on the Welsh National Health Service during the winter months.

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

The Welsh Government has issued a statement on the latest published NHS Wales performance data.

Other News

Minister unveils new plans that will help Welsh Government lead the fight against illegal waste exporters and waste crime

Climate Change Minister Julie James has unveiled plans to transform the waste industry in Wales, making it easier to tackle illegal exports and waste crime.

£1 million for new projects to promote the use of Welsh

The Minister for Welsh Language and Education, Jeremy Miles, has announced more than £1 million for projects to encourage people to use the Welsh language more widely.

£1 million available to support the Welsh fishing industry

The Welsh fishing community is being invited to submit applications to a £1 million fund primarily intended to help mitigate the impact Covid continues to have on the industry, and help it adapt in the face of changes to market conditions for seafood products.

Action needed to tackle legal aid crisis

The Counsel General to the Welsh Government has asked the UK Government to support reforms to legal aid to ensure people can access the support they need.

More cases of tree disease Phytophthora pluvialis found in Wales

Two other cases of this pathogen, which are similar to fungi and are known to affect a variety of tree species, have been identified in Wales.

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: frequently asked questions

Guidance on how to protect yourself and what rules are in place to protect people at 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: reasonable measures operating cards for businesses and organisations

Advice to businesses and organisations on reasonable measures to be taken to reduce the risk of coronavirus in alert level 2.

Alert level 2: guidance for the public

What you have to do in alert level 2.

New Welsh rules from 21 January 2022: coronavirus (easy read)

This is an easy read version of the Welsh Government's Level 2 Notice rules.

Get your COVID-19 vaccine

Ask your local health board about the vaccine arrangements.

COVID-19 vaccines for household contacts of people with a weakened immune system

Immunocompromised people have a weaker-than-average immune system. They are more likely to have poor outcomes as a result of catching COVID-19. Vaccinating contacts in the household will help to limit the spread of the virus.

Countries with their COVID-19 vaccination programmes recognised in Wales

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

Have rapid COVID-19 one-way flow tests if you don't have symptoms

You should take a one-way flow test if you don't have symptoms and you're over 11.

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

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

Report the result of your one-way flow test

How to report a positive or negative outcome to your one-way flow test to the NHS.

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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.

Self-isolation support scheme

You could get a payment of £750 to help if you have lost earnings as a result of having to self-isolate for a period starting on or after 7 August 2021 and you cannot work from home.

Statutory sick pay top-up scheme for COVID-19

Support for care workers who have to self-isolate or stay away from work to protect the people they care for.

[COVID-19: testing healthcare workers](#)

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

[Report the result of your one-way flow test](#)

How to report a positive or negative outcome to your one-way flow test to the NHS.

[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.

[Tenant Hardship Grant for tenants in the private rented sector: coronavirus](#)

You may be eligible for a grant if you have rent arrears that have accrued due to COVID-19.

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

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

Infection control framework for higher education

Reasonable measures that universities can put in place to help reduce the risk of COVID-19.

International students arriving in Wales: coronavirus

Guidance for international student accommodation providers.

Safe operating guidance: post-16 learning providers

Guidance setting out the arrangements for the safe delivery of learning in the further education, work-based and adult learning sectors.

Schools: coronavirus guidance

Changes to learning and teaching in schools.

Childcare and play: frequently asked questions

Guidance for parents and childcare providers.

National Minimum Standards (NMS) and guidance: regulated childcare

Guidance on the standards that childcare providers must meet to look after children.

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.

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.

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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.

Technical Advice Cell: council summary 7 January 2022

Summary of COVID-19 advice provided to Welsh Ministers on 7 January 2022.

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.

Coronavirus leaflet: protecting Wales this winter

Share this leaflet to promote how everyone can help Protect Wales from coronavirus this winter.

Welsh Biology - Vaccines

Test, trace, protect- Month Iosawr 2022

NHS COVID pass: promotional package

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

Accessing NHS Services

These assets help to explain the different ways in which people can access NHS services so that they can access the right care, in the right place, at the right time.

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The assets in this link will remind people of the simple changes they can make to look after their health this winter and consequently help the NHS. They explain how we can all stay healthy through self-care and promote the use of community pharmacies for non-serious health concerns or disorders.

Existing assets

All previous Help Us Help You assets containing almost 100 assets can be found on the above topics as well as many others

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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