



West Lancs COVID-19 Local information update

2nd July 2021

As part of the new Community Champions scheme, West Lancs CVS is working alongside West Lancashire Borough Council to get accurate local COVID-19 information to West Lancs residents and voluntary sector organisations.

Please help us get the word out by passing on this weekly update....

Local situation



Find out what's happening in your area

In West Lancashire, rates of people testing positive for COVID-19 have risen sharply in the last 7 days

Find up to date statistics on vaccination rates, hospital admissions etc for your area [here](#).

Vaccinations

New dates added to West Lancs pop-up vaccination clinics

- The walk-in clinics which started in Skelmersdale last week, have been held across the Borough and have proven very popular.
- The clinics are offering both first and second doses of the Pfizer and AstraZeneca vaccines, with second doses made available to those who had their first at least eight weeks prior.
- Vaccines at the pop-up sites or vaccine bus are available to anyone who is 18 or over and there is no need to book!
- New walk-in COVID-19 vaccination clinics have just been added to the list for West Lancs:



West Lancs COVID-19 vaccine pop-up sites

Open to anyone over 18 - no need to book!

Friday 2 July 2021 9am - 5pm

- Food Court, Concourse Shopping Centre, Skelmersdale, WN8 6LN

Saturday 3 July 2021 9am - 5pm

- Food Court, Concourse Shopping Centre, Skelmersdale, WN8 6LN

Saturday 3 July 2021 10am-6pm

- Asda Car Park, Skelmersdale, WN8 6LU

Sunday 4 July 2021 10am-4pm

- Asda Car Park, Skelmersdale, WN8 6LU

Thursday 8 July 2021 9:30am-Midday

- Riverside Holiday Park, Southport New Road, Banks, PR9 8DF

Thursday 8 July 2021 1pm-6pm

- Banks Leisure Centre, Greaves Hall Avenue, Banks, PR9 8BL

Friday 9 July 2021 2pm - 7pm

- Vaccine Bus - The Artz Centre, Upholland, WN8 0PB

Saturday 10 July 2021 10am - 4pm

- Vaccine Bus - St Mark's Square, Tarleton, PR4 6TU

Details correct as of 2-7-21: dates/times may change - check for latest updates at:
www.westlancashireccg.nhs.uk/corona-virus/pop-up-clinics-vaccine-bus/

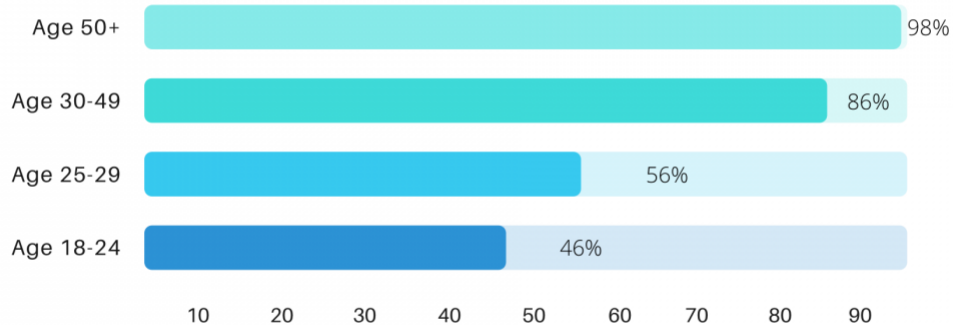
Book an appointment at a regular clinic

If the above dates don't suit, you can still book an appointment at the ongoing regular West Lancs vaccination clinics by:

- Booking online through the [National Booking Service system](#)
- Booking an appointment by phoning free on 119

West Lancashire COVID-19 vaccination rates (first dose)

By age group - as at June 27th 2021



Compiled by West Lancs CVS. Data: West Lancs CCG

Local vaccine programme success

Latest NHS figures (above) show how the tireless work of NHS staff and many local volunteers is paying off.

Thanks to everyone who is working to make this a success!



Vaccine safety

The COVID-19 vaccine has been through the same clinical trials and safety checks that all other licensed medicines go through.

Find out how the COVID-19 vaccine was developed and made safe for everyone in

this [video](#).

Local testing

Local COVID-19 testing

Everyone is being encouraged to take COVID-19 tests **even if they don't have symptoms** so they can be sequenced to identify Variants of Concern such as the Delta variant.

Anyone in West Lancashire **without covid symptoms** is eligible to two free, rapid coronavirus tests for themselves and their families.



Twice-weekly testing is still crucial to keeping cases down.

You can either:

- Take the test at a symptom free testing site
- Collect tests from a symptom free testing site to use at home later
- Order home testing kits online if you cannot attend a testing site

For information on all testing sites across West Lancs or how to order a test online, go to: westlancs.gov.uk/symptom-freetesting

If you would like a stock of home testing kits to share with the community at community centres, group meetings, church halls, voluntary groups etc, please contact CustomerEngagement@westlancs.gov.uk

Covid-19 testing for people with symptoms

- If you have covid-19 symptoms, you will need to self-isolate and get a test [here](#).
- If you have a positive test, you should immediately self-isolate and if eligible, can apply for financial support [here](#).

Support resources

COVID vaccination video in BSL

COVID vaccination video in BSL SignHealth has worked with other deaf organisations to create a COVID vaccination information video.

Watch it on YouTube here <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=inLEDuXByDY>

Covid home testing instructions in different languages

If you need the instructions for how to use a Covid-19 rapid home testing kit in other languages or formats, these can be found on the Gov.uk website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-antibody-test-kit-guides-in-different-languages>

Easy Read and large print formats are also available to download.

Volunteering

Volunteering – can you help?

Many thanks to all those who have already volunteered to join our [Community Champions project](#). If you would like to join them to:

- Help us get accurate information about covid-19 into communities. We'll provide the information, we just need you to be a 'hero from home' and send it on (email, text,



WhatsApp, social media) to your family, friends and social networks

- Give help to others in your neighbourhood – through practical tasks or helping out with a local organisation

Do get in touch with us at West Lancs CVS: phone [01695-733737](tel:01695-733737), email: enquiries@wlcvs.org

Can you help us get the word out?

We are working with West Lancashire Borough Council to get accurate information into the heart of communities and would be grateful if you could pass this on to your networks. Please join in these efforts by cascading these messages on to your work colleagues, friends and families using the share buttons below:



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