



Since the first NHS Covid-19 vaccine was given, it has saved thousands of lives, helped people stay out of hospital, protected the NHS, and made it safer for us to live with Covid-19 without fear or restrictions.

Covid-19 is still with us – and people can become very ill. That's why we're still encouraging young people aged 12 to 17, who haven't yet had the vaccine, to do so now.

Please speak to your young person about the Covid-19 vaccine and encourage them to have it. The vaccine offers protection from serious illness.

The vaccines available are:

- Autumn booster dose for those who are 50+, immunosuppressed and everyone **(including 12- to 17-year-olds)** who live in a household or are in regular contact with someone who is immunosuppressed. This offer will end on 12 February 2023.
- Primary booster dose for those who are 16+. This offer will end on 12 February 2023. We encourage you to take up the opportunity for vaccination before it closes.
- First or second primary dose, if you have not yet had the opportunity to protect yourself. This offer is still available. It is important everyone who is eligible receives the first two primary doses of the Covid vaccinations.

Book a vaccine appointment on the [national booking system](#).

Alternatively, there are walk-in clinics across Kent and Medway where you can turn up at a time and location convenient to you. [Find a walk in Covid-19 vaccine clinic](#).

Please take this opportunity to protect yourself.

If you have any queries, please email the vaccination team: kmicb.covidvaccine@nhs.net or visit our [myth busting page](#) for more information.