

27th January 2022

Dear Colleague,

Covid 19 - Vaccination

This joint letter is being sent to all staff who work in Ealing schools. The letter is endorsed/supported by the trade unions and professional associations who are signatories, as well as the Director of Public Health, Ealing Council.

Whilst Vaccination is not mandatory the focus of this letter is to raise awareness among staff who are not yet vaccinated or fully vaccinated about the opportunity to book an appointment **or access a walk-in centre to receive their vaccination**.

Uptake among Staff in Schools continues to increase with most Staff in Schools having had their first jab. Ealing Local Authority fully supports any colleagues who have not yet had their vaccinations in getting vaccinated by providing paid time off to take the vaccine

If you have questions about the vaccine, please visit (<u>https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/coronavirus-vaccine/</u>) or speak to you GP or medical practitioner. At the moment anyone over the age of 16 can walk-up and get their vaccine at a number of testing sites and pharmacies across, Ealing, London and the UK. In Ealing you can walk up to CP House, Uxbridge Road W5 5TL and get your vaccine. Anyone over the age of 16 can walk up and get their jab.

More information can be found about the position in Ealing : <u>www.ealing.gov.uk/coronavirus</u> Find your nearest vaccine centre at: <u>http://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus-vaccine</u>

Consideration should also be given to having a flu jab if you have not had one already. It is predicted that more people are likely to get flu over the winter months than usual because fewer people will have built up natural immunity to it during the socially-distanced conditions of much of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thank you for your support as we work together to keep Ealing safe.

Kind regards,

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