

SAFER TOGETHER – COVID-19 – VACCINE INOCULATION

- **Every adult offered a vaccine by Autumn**
- Government's aim is to deliver 2m doses/week – a third of over 80s have been inoculated to-date including the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh
- **Top 4 priorities – by 15 February**
 - Care homes and carers
 - Frontline NHS and social workers
 - Over 70s
 - CEV
- **Next 4 priorities – by April**
 - Over 65s
 - People with health conditions
 - Over 60s
 - Over 55s
 - Over 50s
- **Over 18s – by Autumn**
- Under 18s - unclear
- Vaccines include:
 - Pfizer-Biontech
 - Oxford-Astrazeneca
 - Moderna (not expected until Spring)
- Ongoing inoculation:
 - Likely to be annual
- Vaccination centres – 1200 sites within a 10-mile travel / person:
 - NHS opening 7 large vaccination centres (closest Newcastle Centre for Life)
 - GP-led vaccine centres
 - Pharmacy sites
- As people are protected against the virus and pressure begins to ease on the NHS then the restrictions should begin to be lifted

Appointments

- The NHS will contact individual with appointment details for inoculation
- NUK colleagues may not have a choice for an appointment outside of working time
- Please attend your appointment and return to work
- Appointments in work time will be paid and the time banked at single time to be worked at a later time (no unpaid time-off for appointments), if preferred pre-book holiday