



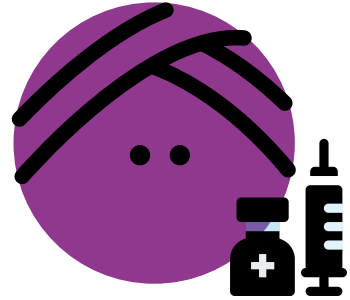
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# COVID-19 VACCINE



Information on the vaccine roll out in Sutton and your questions answered.

**THE VACCINE IS THE MOST SAFE AND EFFECTIVE WAY TO PROTECT OURSELVES AND OUR LOVED ONES.**

The COVID-19 vaccine has been through three stages of clinical trials to ensure it meets the highest standards of safety and effectiveness.

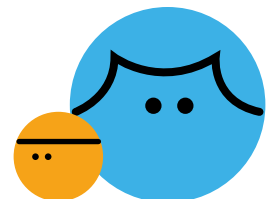


## INSIDE THIS LEAFLET

- Dr Imran Choudhury, Director of Public Health at Sutton Council answers your questions.
- Information on who qualifies for the vaccine and how to book if you have not yet had yours.



More information can be found at  
[sutton.gov.uk/covid19](https://sutton.gov.uk/covid19)



# COVID-19 VACCINE

## YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED



**By Dr Imran Choudhury**  
**Director of Public Health at Sutton Council**

### **Is the vaccine safe?**

The vaccine has been through rigorous testing and has proven to be safe and effective. Governments, industry and scientists from around the globe have worked together to create these vaccines while ensuring that the testing process has been held to the same high standards as any other vaccine development program.

### **Why haven't I had my vaccine yet?**

The NHS are working through the priority lists to vaccinate the more vulnerable groups first, with the age bracket changing regularly. They will be in touch when it is your turn. If you are over 21 or clinically vulnerable, you can now book your appointment through the national booking service: **nhs.uk/coronavirus** or by **calling 119**.

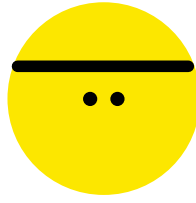
### **Will it affect my fertility if I want to get pregnant in the future?**

There is no evidence that the vaccine affects fertility.

### **Does it contain animal products?**

No. The vaccine does not contain animal or foetal products. All ingredients are published in healthcare information on the MHRA's website.

**PROTECT YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY**



## The COVID-19 vaccine is the safest and most effective protection against the COVID-19 virus.

As of 5 July 2021, over 230,000 vaccines have been given in Sutton, of which over 95,800 are second doses. This means we are well on our way to protecting our local community from this virus.

Once you have had your vaccine it is important to continue following the national guidelines and advice such as washing your hands, wearing face coverings in public spaces, keeping 2 metres distance from anyone outside of your household and socialising outside where possible. Remember **'hands, space, face, fresh air'**.

## VACCINE CHAMPIONS

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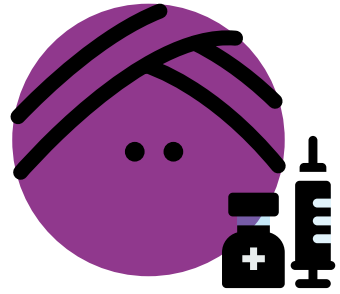


“I feel very fortunate to have had my first jab. I can now look forward to a more secure future when we can move back to a more normal life without living in constant fear of an unknown virus.”

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**Christine Lindsay, Sutton**

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**At this time, the vaccine is being offered to:**

- People aged 18\* years old and over
- People who are clinically extremely vulnerable
- People who are the main carer for someone at high risk from coronavirus
- People who live or work in care homes
- Frontline NHS staff

**The NHS will contact you when it is your turn.**

\*New age groups are being opened up on a regular basis, see our website for the latest information.

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