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Covid-19 Vaccination Process

Dear member,

Whilst some individuals are having success by going via their own GP to secure a Covid-19 vaccine and this is a route open to all, the governments' current focus is on vaccinating those in the Priority 2 group which is *'all those 80 years of age and over and frontline health and social care workers.'*

This applies to those working with children as well as adults and in all areas so domiciliary care, homeless, mental health, supported living, etc.

The definition they are using is if a worker (whatever job title they have) has close personal contact with people who are 'clinically vulnerable' then they should be vaccinated in this grouping. The aim is to have them vaccinated by 15/2/2021. The local authorities have the lead and should be working with all providers (whether CQC registered or not, statutory or private etc) to identify workers who meet this criteria.

Our guidance would be for providers who have workers who meet this criteria to contact their local authority lead to register as an organisation in their area. If the contact details are not easily identifiable then we would suggest providers contact their local Director of Adult Social Care Services.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact us by emailing info@cmsuk.org if you have any questions.

Best wishes,

The CMSUK Board