



COVID-19 FUNDING SOURCES GUIDE

Guidance Document for General Practices

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Additional costs for COVID-19 Vaccination Programme

- People who do not normally work evenings & weekends (could come from the £150m fund)
- Additional staff to support existing staff (will come from the £150m fund)
- Additional travel costs (using the IOS fee)
- Additional venue hire (from local CCG funding)
- Contingency costs (using the IOS fee)

<https://www.bma.org.uk/advice-and-support/covid-19/vaccines/covid-19-vaccination-programme>



Additional Vaccine Payments in Care Homes

(payable until the end of January 2021)

- First Dose (Total payable - £30.00)
(Administered between Monday 14 Dec 20 to Sunday 17 Jan 21)
- First Dose (Total payable - £20.00)
(Administered between Monday 18 Jan 21 to Sunday 24 Jan 21)
- First Dose (Total payable - £10.00)
(Administered between Monday 25 Jan 21 to Sunday 31 Jan 21)
- Second Dose (Total payable - £10.00)
(Ongoing)

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/publication/covid-19-vaccination-in-older-adult-care-homes-the-next-stage/>



Admin payments for rebooking of second dose appointments

(early January 2021)

- All second doses of vaccine that have to be rebooked after those doses were cancelled in early January 2021.
- Payments are per affected designated site at a rate of £1000

Total payment = £1000

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2020/12/C1019-CCG-vacc-letter-31dec20.pdf>



Expansion Fund

(Fair shares weighted allocation of £150 million)

- To pay overtime to existing staff from all staff groups
- To create new clinical, managerial and administrative roles to support the delivery of services to meet any backlogs in planned and preventative service delivery. This includes the staffing required to provide additional clinics as necessary to achieve payment trigger levels for priority clinical areas covered by the Quality and Outcomes Framework, Impact and Investment Fund including the Flu Vaccination Programme, Learning Disability Health Checks and delivery of SMI Health Checks
- To support practices with additional staff costs associated with work required to deliver the expanded Flu Vaccination programme and other usual services over this period
- To support practices with additional staff costs associated with the support and management of people who are Clinically Extremely Vulnerable and the management of people with COVID and Long COVID in line with national and local guidance
- To employ staff on temporary/short term contracts up to the end of March 2021

https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2020/03/C0828_GP-funding-letter-second-wave_9novreb.pdf



Freeing up GP Practices to support COVID-19 vaccination

- Further funding for PCN Clinical Director support temporarily for Q4 (Jan-Mar 21), equivalent to an increase from 0.25WTE to 1WTE for those PCNs where at least one practice is participating in the COVID-19 Vaccination Programme Enhanced Service
- The Minor Surgery DES income will be income protected until March 2021 and we intend to make similar provision for the additional service income related to minor surgery within the global sum
- The Quality Improvement domain within QOF will be protected in full at 74 points per practice until March 2021
- The 8 prescribing indicators within QOF will be income protected on the same basis as the existing 310 points which have been income protected. Payment will be made on past performance against the relevant clinical domains. We will use the 2020/21 recorded register size to apply the usual prevalence adjustment as well as the usual list size adjustment to 20/21 QOF payments
- Appraisals can be declined during this period but if you are going ahead, please use the revised, shortened, supportive 2020 model

https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2020/03/C1026_Freeing-up-GP-practices-letter_070121.pdf



Pinnacle System Support Payments

Vaccination must be recorded immediately in Pinnacle in order to ensure the clinical record is updated and to be sure that PCNs are paid for the work that they are undertaking.

PCNs bringing in additional workforce between now and the end of January 2021, to ensure that all records for vaccination of priority cohorts are up to date and recorded properly in Pinnacle will be eligible to claim up to **£950** per week (a maximum of **£2500** per PCN grouping) of funding support.

Total payment = £2,500.00

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2021/01/C1040-covid-19-vaccination-in-older-adult-care-homes-the-next-stage-13-january-2021.pdf>



PPE Reimbursements

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- Specific and net additional costs incurred for bank holiday opening across Easter and on 8 May 2020
- Additional net costs incurred in delivering additional services to care homes in place from 1 May until 30 September 2020
- COVID-19 related absence cover from day one of absence, where it was required to maintain necessary clinical and non-clinical capacity, staff could not work from home, and the individual received full pay - from 23 March to 31 July 2020
- Additional capacity which has been required between 23 March – 31 July 2020 where supported by the commissioner
- Costs incurred as a result of purchasing other consumables required as a result of COVID-19 including: Type IIR Masks, Aprons, Gloves, Eye Protection (Visors and Goggles), Hand Sanitiser and Clinical Waste Bags

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2020/03/C0651-covid-support-fund-letter-aug-2020.pdf>



Set-up cost payments

- CCGs will agree with PCN groupings the one-off costs of set-up which will be met by the NHS from an agreed mobilisation date, applying a value for money test. Up to £20m has initially been made available to systems to meet these expenses.
- Locally figure is c£20-30k per grouping across a PCN footprint

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp-content/uploads/sites/52/2020/12/C0917-COVID-19-vaccination-programme-2020-21-next-steps-1-December-2020.pdf>



Vaccine payments per dose provided (item of service fee)

- First dose for duration of programme (**Total available £12.58**)
- Second dose for duration of programme (**Total available £12.58**)

Total payment = £25.16

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/publication/ess-vaccination-programme/>