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## Department of Health and Social Care: Prioritising the first COVID-19 vaccine dose: JCVI statement

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prioritising-the-first-covid-19-vaccine-dose-jcvi-statement>

Statement from the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) about increasing the short-term impact of the COVID-19 vaccination programme

## Department of Health and Social Care: Priority groups for coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination: advice from the JCVI, 30 December 2020 (Updated 6<sup>th</sup> January)

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/priority-groups-for-coronavirus-covid-19-vaccination-advice-from-the-jcvi-30-december-2020>

Advice from the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) on the groups that should be prioritised for vaccination



## National Institute for Health research: Informal dementia carers had to make difficult decisions about paid care during COVID-19

<https://evidence.nihr.ac.uk/alert/informal-dementia-carers-stop-paid-care-during-lockdown/>

People living with dementia in the community typically rely on unpaid care from friends and family members, combined with some paid care. This helps them remain in their own homes. Researchers wanted to find out how the first nationwide COVID-19 lockdown affected unpaid carers, and how they made decisions about accessing paid care



## NHS England: Operational guidance: vaccination of frontline health and social care workers

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/publication/operational-guidance-vaccination-of-frontline-health-and-social-care-workers/>

Further to the letter of 30 December 2020 this update provides additional operational guidance on the immediate requirement to vaccinate frontline health and social care workers ensuring maximum uptake of vaccination and timely, equitable access across staff groups



## The Physiological Society: A National Covid-19 Resilience Programme: Improving the health and wellbeing of older people during the pandemic

<https://www.physoc.org/policy/covid19resilience/#:~:text=A%20National%20Covid%2D19%20Resilience%20Programme%20should%20include%3A&text=Enhance%20mental%20health%20through%20the,behaviour%20change%20among%20older%20people.>

The Centre for Ageing Better and The Physiological Society have produced a report that says home confinement in older people may cause: (i) cardio respiratory and metabolic deconditioning, (ii) insulin resistance, (iii) muscle loss and (iv) increased fat mass. In addition, social isolation may be worsened.

The report makes recommendations including a tailored exercise programme and broad interventions to support increased activity levels; optimising nutrition and embedding behaviour change

## NICE

National Institute for Health and Care Excellence

## The National Institute for Health and Care Excellence: Shared Learning - Impact of COVID-19 on Carers: Caring for Carers - Can we be of help?

<https://www.nice.org.uk/sharedlearning/impact-of-covid-19-on-carers-caring-for-carers-can-we-be-of-help>

A quality improvement audit at a GP practice (Newton Medical Centre) in line with the NICE guideline [NG150] Supporting adult carers.

It aims to improve the lives of carers by helping health and social care practitioners identify people who are caring for someone and give them the right information and support. It covers carers' assessments, practical, emotional and social support and training, and support for carers providing end of life care.



## NHS Confederation: BME Leadership Network: Perspectives from the front line - The disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on BME communities

[https://www.nhsconfed.org/-/media/Confederation/Files/Publications/Documents/Perspectives-from-the-front-line\\_FNL\\_Dec2020.pdf](https://www.nhsconfed.org/-/media/Confederation/Files/Publications/Documents/Perspectives-from-the-front-line_FNL_Dec2020.pdf)

This report finds that the effects of longstanding health and socio-economic inequalities and institutional racism lie behind the disproportionate impact of Covid-19 on people from black and minority ethnic (BME) backgrounds

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