



NIVS Communication 29th March 2023

Dear NIVS Users,

Please disseminate the below communications to all in your organisation who use NIVS

From the start of 30th March it will no longer be possible to record COVID-19 vaccination events, in any Point of Care (PoC) system, if more than 15 days have elapsed since the vaccine administration date.

Please note, there will be no alternative route for vaccination sites to add these records if the 15 days have elapsed. The Vaccination Data Resolution Service (VDRS) and NIVS helpdesk will NOT be able to accept requests from sites to enter late records.

NIVS users can amend all vaccination fields except the original record's demographics (patient name, DOB, gender, and NHS number). The vaccination administered date can only be changed within the first 15 days of administering a vaccine. Any vaccines that require amendment, the patient will need to contact 119.

If a member of the public have a missing or incorrect vaccination record, after 15 days since it was administered, they should be advised to contact 119.

Please ensure you record all vaccination events at the same time as administration or at least within the same-day in exceptional circumstances where real-time data entry is not possible.

Addition of 4 Vaccines

From the 30th March, there will be 4 additional vaccines in NIVS available for selection at point of care.

These new vaccines are:

VidPrevtyn Beta 5micrograms/0.5ml dose (Sanofi Pasteur)
Spikevax Original/Omicron BA.4/BA.5 0.1mg/ml dose (Moderna)
Comirnaty Children 6 months - 4 years 3micrograms/0.2ml dose (Pfizer)
Comirnaty Original/Omicron BA.4-5 15micrograms/15micrograms/0.3ml dose (Pfizer)

Please use extra vigilance when selecting the COVID-19 vaccine type. Comirnaty Original/Omicron BA.4-5 and Vidprevtyn Beta are the NEW vaccine types recommended for use.

Kind regards,

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