

Vaccination and Screening

Public health guidance for displaced people from Ukraine



Vaccination

Protecting the health of displaced people from Ukraine in Scotland requires:

- Ensuring that individuals are offered the full UK vaccination schedule (including COVID-19)
- Supporting and encouraging people to access the vaccinations they need as soon as possible
- Ensuring that a professional interpreter is booked/available to support the call to schedule the vaccination appointment, and/or the appointment itself.

Due to low rates of routine immunisation in Ukraine, it is particularly important to find out previous vaccination history and offer vaccinations for the following if a person is unvaccinated against:

- COVID-19 – Find a [drop in clinic](#) for all individuals aged 5 years and older, or phone 0800 030 8013 for an appointment
- Hepatitis B (pregnant women, family members and close contacts of confirmed cases)
- Polio
- Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis
- Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR)
- Flu (Influenza)
- Pertussis (priority offer for pregnant women).

Other vaccine preventable diseases should also be considered:

- Meningococcal disease
- HPV (Human Papillomavirus)
- Pneumococcal disease
- Shingles
- Tuberculosis.

The following conditions should be considered a priority for monitoring and surveillance:

- Measles
- HIV
- Hepatitis A, B and C
- Typhoid
- Tuberculosis (TB) - individuals currently on treatment for TB should be urgently linked to local TB services to ensure prompt continuity of their treatment. Ukraine has 4th highest incident rate in World Health Organisation European region.

What you can do

- Register with a GP
- If you change address, please let the GP practice know.

For more information, please visit NHS inform webpage by clicking on the links below:

[Registering with a GP practice](#)

[NHS services in Ukrainian](#)

Please use the following link for guidance if there is uncertainty about a person's vaccination status:

[Vaccination of individuals with uncertain or incomplete immunisation status](#)

Screening

There are 6 national screening programmes in Scotland. Screening programmes are designed to detect early signs of a disease or condition and to provide referral and treatment where necessary.

Click on the links below for more information from NHS Inform:

- [Abdominal aortic aneurysms \(AAA\) Screening](#)
- [Bowel Screening](#)
- [Breast Screening](#)
- [Cervical Screening](#)
- [Diabetic Eye Screening](#)
- [Pregnancy and newborn screening](#)



For the Pregnancy and Newborn screening programme, it is important to:

- Book maternity services for pregnant women to allow uptake of the screening offer
- To offer bloodspot screening for children under 1 year of age, if they have not had this.

For more information and support, please visit Public Health Scotland website:

<https://publichealthscotland.scot/our-areas-of-work/>

[Public Health Guidance for the prevention and control of infectious diseases of displaced people from Ukraine in Scotland](#)

What you can do

- Register with a GP to access the screening services and keep the practice updated with any changes to your address

[Registering with a GP practice](#)

- Find out about the types of screening tests offered in Scotland and the conditions they look for by visiting NHS Inform:

[NHS Inform screening services](#)

