Vaccination Information Project



We are working with the Vaccine Preventable Disease Programme and the Learning Disability Team at Improvement Cymru in Public Health Wales.

We are working together on a new project to:



 find out what people with a learning disability think about vaccinations and having vaccines



Vaccination is the way we give someone a vaccine to protect them from specific diseases.



A **vaccine** is a medicine that helps your body fight diseases to keep you safe from getting very ill.



 and use what we learn to create information that helps people with a learning disability make informed choices.



This project will look at childhood **vaccines**, **vaccines** given at certain ages, the flu **vaccine** and COVID **vaccine**.



Alongside this work, Public Health Wales will also be running 2 surveys:

• A survey for carers of people with a learning disability.



A survey for organisations which support people with a learning disability.

Aim of this project

We want to find out:

• What people know and think about vaccines.



 If people worry about getting vaccinated or having vaccines and if so, what makes them worried.



• What helps people to get their vaccines.



• What information is available for people about **vaccines**. And where people get their information from.





• How people would prefer to get information about **vaccines**.



We will use what we have learned to make accessible information to help people with a learning disability make informed decisions.

What we are going to do



We are going to talk to:

- People with a learning disability
- Family and unpaid carers
- People who work with people with a learning disability.

Throughout February and March 2023, we are going to:



• Hold 4 focus groups for people with a learning disability in person.



 Hold 2 focus groups for people with a learning disability that will happen online.



 Interview family and unpaid carers, and people who work with people with a learning disability.



 Ask people with a learning disability to fill in an easy read survey online. The survey will be available between
Wednesday 15 February 2023 and Friday 3 March 2023.



Public Health Wales will run their surveys between **Monday 16 January 2023** and **Friday 24 February 2023**.

The survey for carers is available here.

The survey for people who work for support organisations is here.



We have a project steering group that will oversee the work of this project. The steering group is made up of:

- People with a learning disability
- Staff from Learning Disability Wales and Public Health Wales
- People who do research
- People who work with people with a learning disability
- People with different life experiences, from different backgrounds.

What will we do with our findings



We will work with our steering group to agree what we found out and write a report about what we learned.



We will identify what type of information people with a learning disability prefer. For example, posters, videos, or leaflets.



We will then work with people with a learning disability to create information resources to help them make informed decisions about **vaccines**.

More information



We will keep this webpage up to date with project updates.

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For information about vaccines in Wales, please go to the Public Health Wales website: <u>phw.nhs.wales/vaccines</u>