

HAMPSHIRE JSNA SPOTLIGHT

Vaccinations

How does this impact our population?

Vaccination protects people at every stage of life, from children to older age, transforming once-devastating illnesses into preventable conditions, improving life expectancy and quality of life worldwide. Since 1974 when the World Health Organisation established the Expanded Programme on Immunisation (EPI), vaccines are estimated to have saved over 150 million lives worldwide, prevented more than 30 life-threatening diseases, and continue to avert 5 million deaths per year. However, these gains are threatened by misinformation, scepticism, and inequitable access, contributing to the re-emergence of diseases previously controlled or eliminated.

Vaccinations and Immunisations is April's spotlight topic as **24th – 30th April** is **World Immunisation Week.**



For Every Generation, Vaccines Work
[WHO World Immunization Week 2026](#)

What support is in place for Hampshire residents?

Vaccination coverage remains higher in Hampshire than England. You will usually be contacted by your GP when you are due a vaccination, for example by letter, but if you think you or a family member may have missed one, cannot attend a scheduled appointment, or may be eligible for a vaccination but have not been contacted, please contact your local GP surgery.

Where can I learn more?

Visit [NHS Vaccinations and When to Have Them](#) to find out more about what vaccine you should be getting, and when. If you are planning to travel overseas, visit [Travel Vaccination Advice – NHS](#). Visit our [Healthy People](#) JSNA reports for some statistics in Hampshire. The [JSNA data glossary](#) can help guide you.

If you have a question and would like to get in touch with Hampshire's Public Health Intelligence Team, you can use the QR code or email PHIT@hants.gov.uk

