
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 1862

**The National Health Service (General
Medical Services Contracts) Regulations 2015**

[^{F1}PART 9A

Vaccines and immunisations

[^{F1}^{F2}Vaccines and immunisations: standards]

66B.—(1) A contractor must ensure that they have in place a system for delivering appointments at which relevant vaccines or immunisations are administered to patients (“immunisation appointments”) which meets the Vaccines and Immunisations Standards.

[
^{F3}(1A) A contractor must comply with the standards contained in the Vaccines and Immunisations Standards on the processing of data relating to patients.]

(2) In this regulation—

[^{F4}“processing” has the meaning given by section 3(4) of the Data Protection Act 2018;]

“relevant vaccine or immunisation” [^{F5}has the same meaning as in regulation 66A(1)(a) of these Regulations;]

“the Vaccines and Immunisations Standards” means the standards determined by [^{F6}NHS England][^{F7}published on 15th April 2024] and which a contractor is required to meet in relation to the following matters—

- (a) the invitation of patients for immunisation appointments when they first become eligible for relevant vaccines or immunisations (“newly eligible patients”);
- (b) the steps to be taken if no response is received to an invitation falling within subparagraph (a);
- (c) the provision of immunisation appointments to newly eligible patients;
- (d) the steps to be taken if a newly eligible patient does not attend an immunisation appointment;
- (e) requests for relevant vaccines or immunisations made by patients who are eligible for them but have not previously received them for any reason;
- (f) the identification of gaps in the vaccination records of registered patients, and the offer, and provision of, immunisation appointments to those patients;
- (g) [^{F8}the processing of records relating to patient vaccinations and immunisations, including records relating to the administration of vaccines and patient vaccination status.]]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** Pt. 9A inserted (1.4.2021) by [The National Health Service \(General Medical Services Contracts and Personal Medical Services Agreements\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2021 \(S.I. 2021/331\)](#), reg. 1(2), **Sch. 1 para. 6**
- F2** Reg. 66B heading substituted (27.5.2024) by [The National Health Service \(Primary Medical Services and Performers Lists\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/575\)](#), reg. 1(2)(a), **Sch. 1 para. 3(a)**
- F3** Reg. 66B(1A) inserted (27.5.2024) by [The National Health Service \(Primary Medical Services and Performers Lists\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/575\)](#), reg. 1(2)(a), **Sch. 1 para. 3(b)**
- F4** Words in reg. 66B(2) inserted (27.5.2024) by [The National Health Service \(Primary Medical Services and Performers Lists\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/575\)](#), reg. 1(2)(a), **Sch. 1 para. 3(c)(i)**
- F5** Words in reg. 66B(2) substituted (27.5.2024) by [The National Health Service \(Primary Medical Services and Performers Lists\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/575\)](#), reg. 1(2)(a), **Sch. 1 para. 3(c)(ii)**
- F6** Words in Regulations substituted (6.11.2023) by [The Health and Care Act 2022 \(Further Consequential Amendments\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2023 \(S.I. 2023/1071\)](#), reg. 1(1), **Sch. para. 1**
- F7** Words in reg. 66B(2) inserted (27.5.2024) by [The National Health Service \(Primary Medical Services and Performers Lists\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/575\)](#), reg. 1(2)(a), **Sch. 1 para. 3(c)(iii)(aa)**
- F8** Words in reg. 66B(2) inserted (27.5.2024) by [The National Health Service \(Primary Medical Services and Performers Lists\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2024 \(S.I. 2024/575\)](#), reg. 1(2)(a), **Sch. 1 para. 3(c)(iii)(bb)**

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Instrument (including any effects on those provisions):

- Sch. 3 para. 2(3)(4) inserted by [S.I. 2024/575 Sch. 1 para. 7\(a\)\(ii\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 18(3)(3A) substituted for Sch. 3 para. 18(3) by [S.I. 2024/575 Sch. 1 para. 10](#)