

Director of Public Health

1. World Autism Awareness Week – March 26th – April 2nd

We want Nottingham to be Autism Friendly. On Thursday 29th March we will be holding a number of sessions for people that would like to know more:

- Autism Awareness Session (9:30-12:30)
- Experts by Experience Session (12:30-13:30)
- Drop in session for individuals interesting in becoming Autism Champions (13:30-15:30)

If you would like to come along, please book a place by contacting learning.development@nottinghamcity.gov.uk.

2. Health and Wellbeing Stakeholder Event – 6th June

I would like to remind Board members of the Health and Wellbeing Board Stakeholder Engagement Event being held at the Council House, Old Market Square on Wednesday 6th June, 1pm-4.30pm.

This will be an opportunity for wider stakeholders, particularly from the voluntary and community sector, to engage with Board members and explore how we can work together to meet the outcomes in Nottingham's Health and Wellbeing Strategy. Theme sponsors which each give an overview of their area as well as workshop discussions on each of 4 outcome themes. There will also be plenty of opportunities for networking and a chance to put questions to a panel of Board members.

We would really appreciate Board members support in making this event a success. If you would like to discuss the event further, have ideas about how to make it a useful afternoon or the role that you could take on the day please contact Claire Novak: Claire.novak@nottinghamcity.gov.uk

3. Support for rough sleepers in severe cold weather

As we officially enter Spring I would like to express, again, my thanks for the incredible partnership effort which has gone into ensuring no one need sleep rough in Nottingham this winter.

Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service have offered their premises and British Red Cross the vital support of their volunteers, with support also coming from Frameworks Street Outreach Team, Housing Aid and Community Protection as well as contributions of clothing, blankets and food from a number of other organisations.

The sit-up service operated on 38 different nights over the winter period and was often full to capacity evidencing the vital role this service played in keeping people off the streets in freezing temperatures.

4. Nottingham flu vaccination uptake in 2017/18

This winter, public health led on the development and implementation of a Nottingham city specific flu vaccination action plan for 2017/18, including a communications plan focused on dispelling myths and tailored messages to different groups. This involved collaboration with health and social care partners to ensure that professionals who have contact with eligible individuals ask about flu vaccination status and signpost to relevant resources/information. NHS England supported pilots in NUH for flu vaccination in maternity and renal and gastro wards. Reminder letters were also sent to parents of 2 and 3 year olds.

Provisional data for 2017/18 suggests flu vaccination uptake increased in all GP at risk groups, with 2 and 3 years olds now meeting the 40% target. However, despite this positive increase, uptake in pregnant women, under 65 and over 65s at risk is still below target levels (table 1). The schools flu immunisation programme, delivered by NHFT, has once again met uptake targets of 40-60% for all eligible school children, even with an increased cohort, as vaccination is now offered to 4-8 year olds in school (Table 2). Furthermore, uptake increased in year 1 and year 2 groups compared to last year.

I would like to thank all those involved for their efforts in successfully increasing uptake. A meeting is planned with all stakeholders to review the flu action plan and consider lessons we can learn to continue to increase vaccination uptake next year.

Table 1. Provisional flu vaccination uptake in Nottingham CCG 2017/18 and 2016/17

CCG	65 and over (Target 75%)	Under 65 (at-risk only) (target 55%)	All Pregnant Women (target 55%)	All Aged 2 (target 40%-60%)	All Aged 3 (target 40%-60%)	All Aged 4 (target 40%-60%)
Nottingham City 2016/17	70.6	46.5	37.7	35.2	37.5	29.8
Nottingham City 2017/18	72.5	47.4	41.7	43.9	44.7	N/A

Source:

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/684554/Seasonal_flu_vaccine_uptake_GP_patients_2017_2018_01_September_31_January_CCG_AT.pdf

Table 2. Provisional flu vaccination uptake in Nottingham school aged children 2017/18 and 2016/17 (target level of 40-60%)

Country & Local Authority	Reception (4-5years)	Year 1 (5-6years)	Year 2 (6-7 years)	Year 3 (7-8 years)	Year 4 (8-9 years)
Nottingham 2016/17		51.3	48.1	48.7	
Nottingham 2017/18	55.5	52.0	52.0	48.2	47.4

Source:

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/683025/Child_Flu_Programme_Primary_School_Age_Tables_January_2018.pdf