

With the Meningococcal B (MenB) Vaccination Service now live, we wanted to highlight a selection of key resources to support pharmacy teams delivering the service. Whether you're preparing to provide your first vaccination or looking for a quick reference, the resources below contain practical guidance and useful information to help ensure the service is delivered safely, effectively and in line with the service requirements:

- [Vaccine Eligibility Flowchart](#)
- [NHSE Vaccine Supply & Ordering Guidance](#)
- [UKHSA & NHSE On Demand Webinar for Community Pharmacy Teams](#)
- [Updated service specification](#) (updated 13th July 2026)
- [Introduction to Using RAVS – Training Video](#)

Registration for the MenB Vaccination Service has now closed, and we're pleased to report that a strong proportion of community pharmacies across West Yorkshire have registered to provide this important service. Thank you to all pharmacy teams that have signed up to support the rollout and help improve access to vaccination for eligible patients.

Vaccine Ordering – Key Actions

To receive vaccine allocations through the Federated Data Platform (FDP), pharmacies that have registered for the service must complete the following steps:

- **Publish appointments on the National Booking Service (NBS).** Pharmacies should make at least 100 appointments available per month. *
- **Complete the FDP site acknowledgement.** This must be completed before you can order any vaccine. Full guidance is available in the [NHSE Vaccines Supply & Ordering Guidance](#).
- **Place your first vaccine order.** Once the above steps have been completed, your pharmacy will automatically be allocated 10 doses (one box) of 4CMenB (Bexsero®) vaccine on the FDP Supply Dashboard. **Please note that vaccine is not dispatched automatically – you must actively place an order through the FDP to receive your allocation.**

**July appointments: As the service only launched on 20th July, pharmacies are not expected to make 100 appointments available during July. Community Pharmacy England (CPE) advises that appointment availability should be aligned with your vaccine allocation.*

Ongoing Ordering and Delivery

Pharmacies providing the service are advised to:

- *Review their vaccine allocation on the FDP. An allocation must be available before an order can be placed.*
- *Place an order on FDP before the order cut-off deadline having reviewed their bookings on NBS.*
- *Confirm their assigned delivery day and check for the expected delivery time which will be available one working day before the assigned delivery day. A trained member of the pharmacy team must be available between 8:00am and 5:00pm on the delivery day to receive the vaccine, as deliveries may arrive outside the estimated time window.*

- *Ensure that NBS booked appointments are scheduled for dates after the confirmed vaccine delivery. Review available appointments against the expected delivery date and plan bookings accordingly to ensure vaccine supply.*

ONLY Year 13 students can book MenB vaccination appointments through the NBS. Other eligible students will self-refer for a walk-in vaccination. If you administer any walk-in vaccinations, it is important that these are recorded on the Record a Vaccination Service (RAVS) platform on the same day. We also recommend completing a stock take on the FDP to ensure the system reflects your current vaccine stock levels, enabling future allocations to be adjusted accordingly. Vaccine stock levels and allocations are reviewed daily. Keeping your RAVS records and FDP stock information up to date will help ensure you can order additional vaccine supplies when required.

RAVS

Pharmacies delivering the service are required to record all vaccinations using the Record a Vaccination Service (RAVS) platform. For many pharmacy teams, this is likely to be their first experience of using RAVS.

We are aware that some pharmacies have experienced a few initial teething issues when using the platform. To help, we have included a link to the training video [here](#) and opposite are some troubleshooting tips taken from the support page.

Troubleshooting Tips

- Check you're on the latest version of your browser.
- Clear your browser's cache.
- Open RAVS in a private or incognito window. You can typically do this from your browser's tabs or menu buttons (often represented by 3 dots or bars).
- Open RAVS in a different browser.
- Restart your computer.

CPWY & Primary Healthcare Development Webinar – Resources

Another thank you to all of our attendees last week who joined CPWY and [Primary Healthcare Development](#)'s MenB Vaccination Service webinar. We hope you found the evening beneficial! Following the webinar, we have published the presentation slides used on the evening and a training resource list. These resources can be found on our website [here](#).

The **CPWY Connect WhatsApp group** has been very active, providing peer to peer support for this service. If you work in West Yorkshire (including locums) and haven't already joined but wish to do so, please complete the form [here](#).