



Introduction to Immunisation Training

Unipart House, Garsington Road, Cowley, Oxford, OX4 2PG

Tuesday 8th October 9.00-16.00

& Wednesday 9th October 9.00-16.00



Tuesday 30 th April 9:00 am to 4:00 pm		
Time	Core Curriculum Topic	Speaker
09:00 -09:20	Introduction and opening activity	Karen Ford, Immunisation Specialist / Senior Research Nurse, Oxford Vaccine Group
09:20	The aims of immunisations, national policy and an overview of schedules. Factors that inform policy.	Karen Ford
10:20-10.40	Coffee	
10:40	The immune response to vaccines and how vaccines work	TBC, Senior Research Nurse, Oxford Vaccine Group
11:20	The different types of vaccines, their composition and the indications and contraindications	Karen Ford
12:00	Storage and handling of vaccines Documentation, record keeping and reporting Current clinical questions received to the SIT	TBC, Screening and Immunisation Team (SIT) Manager, NHS England –South East (Thames Valley)
12:30 -13:10	Lunch	
13:10	Strategies for optimising immunisation uptake and addressing health inequalities	TBC, IIUT GP Liaison and Senior Team Clinician, Improving Immunisation Uptake Team, NHS South, Central & West Commissioning Support Unit
13:50	The Influenza vaccination programme	Karen Ford
14:20	The Shingles vaccination programme	Karen Ford
14:40-14:55	Tea	Karen Ford
15:55	Pertussis vaccination programme for pregnant women	TBC
15:10	The pneumococcal vaccination programme	Karen Ford
15:25	An overview of the COVID-19 vaccination programme	TBC
15:45	Quiz and final questions	Karen Ford

Wednesday 1st May - 9:00 am - 4.00 pm		
Time	Core Curriculum Topic	Speaker
09:00	Developing your immunization practice and signposting ways to keep updated	Karen Ford
9:20	Mock immunisation consultation	Karen Ford and TBC

09.30	Current issues in immunisation	Karen Ford
09:50	Anaphylaxis and adverse reactions	TBC, Senior Research Nurse, Oxford Vaccine Group
10.10	Communicating with patients, parents and carers about vaccines	Karen Ford
10.40-11.00	Coffee	
11.00	Correct administration of vaccines	TBC,
11:40 – 12:00	Legal issues in immunisation: Consent, Patient Specific Directions, Patient Group Directions, Protocols and Written Instructions	Karen Ford
12:00 – 12:45	Vaccine-preventable diseases	TBC
12.45–13.30	Lunch	
13.30 - 14:15	Vaccine-preventable diseases in the local area, plus Q&A on VPDs	TBC, Principal Health Protection Practitioner, Thames Valley Health Protection Team, UKHSA
14.15 – 14:45	The childhood immunisation schedule	Karen Ford
14.45-15.00	Comfort break	
15.00-15:45	Responding to incomplete immunisation schedules	Karen Ford
15:45-16:00	Final questions and closing remarks	Karen Ford

Aims of the course

- To relate to practice & emphasise key learning points for each content area outlined in the [Public Health England National Minimum Standards and core curriculum for immunisation training for registered healthcare practitioners](#)
- To address current issues and provide information about resources and teams to support practice
- To provide a platform for delegates to ask questions and consolidate any prior self-directed learning

Prior learning

- Delegates are advised to have completed sessions relevant to their area of immunisation practice of the free e-Learning for Healthcare Immunisation course consisting of 7 knowledge sessions: [Immunisation - elearning for healthcare \(e-lfh.org.uk\)](#)

Immunisation Resources

- Green book: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/immunisation-against-infectious-disease-the-green-book>
- Immunisation collection: [Immunisation - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)
- Vaccine Update: <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/vaccine-update>
- Vaccine Knowledge: <https://vk.ovg.ox.ac.uk/vk/>
- Patient group directions (PGD): <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/immunisation-patient-group-direction-pgd>
- Latest Service Specifications: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/gp-contract/>
- RCN Immunisation Knowledge and Skills Competence Assessment Tool: [Immunisation Knowledge and Skills Competence Assessment Tool | Publications | Royal College of Nursing \(rcn.org.uk\)](#)