



Introduction to Immunisation Training

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Henley Road, Sandford-on-Thames, Oxford, OX4 4GX

Tuesday 30th April 9.00-16.00
& Wednesday 1st May 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 (OVG)
09:20	The aims of immunisations, national policy and an overview of schedules	Karen Ford
10:20-10.40	Coffee	
10:40	The immune response to vaccines and how vaccines work	Karen Ford
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	Speaker TBC, Screening and Immunisation Team, NHS England –South East, Thames Valley (Virtual)
12:30 -13:10	Lunch	
13:10	Strategies for optimising immunisation uptake and addressing health inequalities	Speaker TBC IIUT GP Liaison 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	The pneumococcal vaccination programme	Karen Ford
15:10	Pertussis vaccination programme for pregnant women	Karen Ford
15:25	An overview of the COVID-19 vaccination programme	Karen Ford
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	Speaker TBC, Senior Research Nurse, Oxford Vaccine Group (OVG)
09:50	Anaphylaxis and adverse reactions	Speaker TBC Senior Research Nurse, Oxford Vaccine Group (OVG)
10.10	Communicating with patients, parents and carers about vaccines	Karen Ford
10.40-11.00	Coffee	
11.00	Correct administration of vaccines	Speaker TBC, Senior Research Nurse, Oxford Vaccine Group (OVG)
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	Karen Ford
12.45–13.30	Lunch	
13.30 - 14:15	Vaccine-preventable diseases in the local area, plus Q&A on VPDs	Speaker TBC, Principal Health Protection Practitioner, Thames Valley Health Protection Team, UKHSA Hannah Baughan
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 \(rcn.org.uk\)](#)