



Introduction to Immunisation Training

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

Tuesday 14th October 09:00-16:00

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Tuesday 14 th October 9:00 am to 4:00 pm		
Time	Core Curriculum Topic	Speaker
09:00	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	Dr Riffat Aslam, Paediatric Research Fellow, 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 at the SIT	Amber Codd and Charlotte Burgess, Screening and Immunisation Team (SIT) (Thames Valley), NHS England –South East (Virtual presentation)
12:30-13:00	Lunch	
13:00	The Influenza vaccination programme	Dr Riffat Aslam
13:40	An overview of the COVID-19 vaccination programme	Karen Ford
13:55	RSV Vaccination Programme	Karen Ford
14:25	Maternal vaccination programmes	Dr Riffat Aslam
14:35	The pneumococcal vaccination programme	Karen Ford
14:45-15:00	Comfort Break	
15:00	The Shingles vaccination programme	Karen Ford
15:20	Talking with patients, parents and carers about immunisations and sources of information	Karen Ford
15:45	Quiz and final questions	Karen Ford

Wednesday 15 th October 9:00 am to 4.00 pm		
Time	Core Curriculum Topic	Speaker
09:00	Developing your immunisation practice and signposting ways to keep updated	Karen Ford
09:15	Mock immunisation consultation	Dr Riffat Aslam and Karen Ford
09:20	Vaccine-preventable diseases	Dr Riffat Aslam
10:05	Consent and legal issues	Karen Ford
10:25	Vaccine trials and ongoing safety monitoring	Dr Riffat Aslam

10:45-11:05	Coffee	
11:05	Anaphylaxis and adverse reactions	Dr Riffat Aslam
11:25	Practical issues: vaccine administration	Karen Ford
12:05	Strategies for optimising immunisation uptake and addressing health inequalities	Jon Mitchell, Clinical Lead, Improving Immunisation Uptake Team, NHS South, Central & West Commissioning Support Unit
12:45-13:30	Lunch	
13:30	Vaccine-preventable diseases in the local area, plus Q&A on VPDs	Steph Rainsforth (TBC), Health Protection Practitioner, Thames Valley Health Protection Team, UKHSA
14:15	The childhood immunisation schedule	Karen Ford
14:45-15:00	Comfort break	
15:00	Responding to incomplete immunisation schedules	Karen Ford
16:00	Final questions and closing remarks	Karen Ford

Aims of the course

- To relate to practice and emphasise key learning points for each content area outlined in the [National Minimum Standards and Core Curriculum for Vaccination Training - GOV.UK](#)
- 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

- Vaccine Knowledge: <https://vk.ovg.ox.ac.uk/vk/>
- 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>
- Patient group directions (PGD): <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/immunisation-patient-group-direction-pgd>
- National Minimum Standards and Core Curriculum for Vaccination, including a Vaccinator competency assessment tool: [National Minimum Standards and Core Curriculum for Vaccination Training - GOV.UK](#)
- GP Contract Service Specifications: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/commissioning/gp-contract/>