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Your NHS Number: 123 456 7890

Your third coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination appointment

Dear Test Name

We have sent you this letter as our records show you have a medical condition or are receiving treatment that may significantly weaken your immune system and may require a third dose of the COVID-19 vaccine if you have already had two doses.

Experts have recommended a third dose for people who have a severely weakened immune system because they may require an additional dose to obtain adequate protection from COVID-19. **This is different to a booster as it is part of the first ('primary') course of the vaccine.**

If you have not yet had your first or second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, please get in touch with your hospital consultant or GP team as soon as possible to discuss booking them.

What you need to do

You may have already been contacted by your local GP services or hospital to arrange an appointment for your third dose. If you already have an appointment or have already had a third dose, please ignore this letter. If you have already received a booster following your first and second dose, please treat this as your third dose and therefore ignore this letter.

If you do not have an appointment booked and have not had a conversation with your doctor about a third dose, **please get in touch with your hospital consultant or GP team as soon as possible to discuss whether you would benefit from one at this stage. They may wish to advise on the best time for you to receive your third dose in relationship to your condition or treatment.**

If your hospital consultant or GP team advises that you need a third dose, please book an appointment with them.

Please note that you cannot book your appointment on the NHS website or via 119.

About the COVID-19 vaccine

More information on the COVID-19 vaccine is available at **www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination**

The vaccine is only available from the NHS and is free of charge. The NHS will never ask you for your bank account details or to pay for the vaccine.

Data Protection: NHS England is responsible for processing your personal data for the purposes of the COVID-19 vaccination programme. To find out more, you can access our privacy notice at: **<https://www.england.nhs.uk/contact-us/privacy-notice/>**, or search for “NHS England Privacy Notice” in your website browser.