



**YOUR COMMUNITY  
NEEDS YOU.  
HELP US FIND  
A VACCINE  
FOR COVID-19.**



**Join the NHS COVID-19 vaccine research registry.**

The new NHS vaccine research registry will help NHS-approved researchers to get in touch with volunteers.

1. Sign up by adding your details to the registry.
2. Researchers will contact you with suitable studies and you can decide to take part or not.

**Sign up today:**  
[nhs.uk/researchcontact](https://nhs.uk/researchcontact)

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People from all minority ethnic groups (apart from Chinese and mixed-race groups) are at greater risk of becoming very sick with COVID-19 than the white population in the UK. In particular, black men and women are nearly twice as likely as white people to die from COVID-19.

**We need volunteers from all minority ethnic groups now more than ever.**

There are different types of vaccines, and we don't know which will best protect people from COVID-19.

Different vaccines might be needed for different groups of people. That's why in the UK we're planning to run a few different vaccine studies.

The National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) has worked in partnership with NHS Digital, and the Northern Ireland, Scottish and Welsh Governments to launch a new service where you can register your interest in taking part in vital studies. This service aims to make it quicker and easier for researchers to contact the volunteers they need to make a difference.

## MORE ABOUT THE NHS COVID-19 VACCINE RESEARCH REGISTRY

You can register to give permission for researchers to contact you about taking part in COVID-19 vaccine research.

You must be 18 or over and live in the UK.

You are not signing up to take part in a specific study at this stage. You are simply letting researchers know that you're happy for them to contact you if you are eligible.

You will have the opportunity to ask the researchers as many questions as you like before deciding whether or not to join a study.

## READY TO HELP?

**Go to [nhs.uk/researchcontact](https://nhs.uk/researchcontact)**

Please add your details, including information about your work and health. We need this information so we can ensure people, from all backgrounds, have the opportunity to take part in health research. This will mean any vaccines developed will work for everyone.

By signing up, you could help a vaccine be ready more quickly, which could help the NHS and save lives.

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

- Provide a few details to register your interest in taking part in COVID-19 vaccine studies.
- If you match the criteria for a study, a researcher will contact you by email or text.
- Reply and ask to know more if you are interested in taking part.
- The researcher will collect some more information to check you are suitable for the study.
- If you are eligible, you then decide whether or not you want to take part.
- There is no obligation to take part in any study and you can change your mind at any time.
- All your information will be kept completely confidential within the NHS system.

## ANY QUESTIONS?

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