

New survey: What do people think about Gloucestershire's COVID-19 vaccination programme



The banner features the Healthwatch Gloucestershire logo in the top left. Below it is an illustration of a COVID-19 vaccine vial and a syringe. The vial is labeled 'COVID-19 vaccine'. The background is teal with several stylized virus particles. The main text reads: 'Share your views about Gloucestershire's Covid-19 vaccine programme'. Below this, it says 'Help our NHS make vaccine delivery as effective as possible.' and 'Complete our survey or get in touch'. At the bottom, there are icons for a globe and a telephone, along with the website 'healthwatchgloucestershire.co.uk' and the freephone number '0800 652 5193'. In the bottom left corner, there is an icon of a person reading a book and the text 'Easy Read format available'.

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We launched our new survey last week, asking Gloucestershire residents what they think about the COVID-19 vaccination programme. We want to understand people's views, needs and expectations, and to find out about the barriers which may prevent some people from being vaccinated. Share your views and share our survey to help the NHS make vaccine delivery as effective as possible. [Find our more and complete the survey.](#)

Vaccination `walk-in` clinics trialled for over 50s in Gloucester and Cheltenham

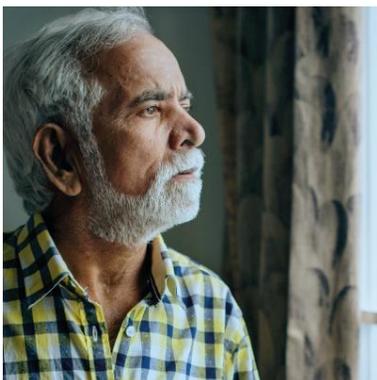


Gloucestershire NHS is trialling an additional COVID-19 vaccination walk-in service in Gloucester and Cheltenham on **Saturday 3 April (10am to 4pm)**, for people aged 50 and over who have yet to take up the offer of their first dose. The bulk of vaccinations have, and will continue to be, provided by appointment through GP led vaccination centres and associated mobile services across the county.

[Find all the details here.](#)

What does social isolation mean for you and for Gloucestershire?

Do you feel socially isolated or lonely, or do you know someone who does? We are investigating what social isolation and loneliness mean for people living in Gloucestershire. We want to find out what makes a difference and what more local health and care services could do to help tackle social isolation.



You can tell us what you think by completing our survey, talking to us on the phone, or by sharing your creative response (video, photo, audio or word). The deadline for responses is Wednesday 21 April. [Find out more.](#)

Final call for feedback about Gloucestershire's hospital discharge process

Patients (and their carers) who have been discharged from a Gloucestershire hospital in the last 12 months, have until Friday 23 April to tell us about their experience – what works well and what could be improved? [Complete our survey or talk to us on the phone.](#)



Meet our new Youth Engagement Officer

Jessica Bush (*pictured below*) recently joined Healthwatch Gloucestershire to lead our exciting new Young Listeners project. She will be engaging with young people from across the county and bringing them together to share feedback and ideas on how Gloucestershire's health and care system could work better for young people. We will tell you more about this project soon when we begin to recruit volunteer Young Listeners, but for now, a word from Jessica.



"I've seen first-hand the value in listening and empowering individuals to advocate for themselves, through my advocacy work with Southside, a family support charity in Bath. This is an amazing opportunity for young people to take control and drive positive change within the services they can access across Gloucestershire. I'm looking forward to hearing their ideas, working to help deliver them, and seeing the impact I know they can make. If you are interested in getting involved, [please do get in touch.](#)"

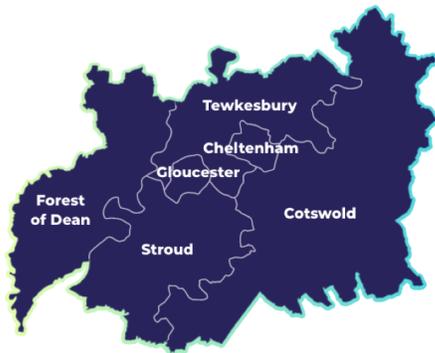
Government consultation on new Women's Health Strategy



A new Government consultation is asking women to share their experiences of the health and care system to inform a new Women's Health Strategy. Make your voice count and help improve the health and wellbeing of women across England. Deadline is Sunday 30 May.

Individuals can respond via the [online survey](#). Individuals or organisations with expertise in women's health can also send written submissions by [email](#).

Speak up and help make health and social care better for you and your community



Healthwatch Gloucestershire is the county's independent health and social care champion. We exist to ensure that people are at the heart of care. Our dedicated team of staff and volunteers listen to what people like about local health and care services, and what could be improved. These views are then shared with the decision-making organisations in the county, so together we can make a real difference. We cover the geographical area of Gloucestershire County Council, which includes the districts and boroughs of Cheltenham, Cotswold, Forest of Dean, Gloucester, Stroud, and Tewkesbury.



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