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# RCGP member survey – UK vaccination programme topline tables

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## Overview

- Fieldwork from 15<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021
  - Self-selecting respondents from RCGP membership communications
  - Online survey
  - 434 responses
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**1. Are you involved, through your practice, Trust, Health Board or Primary Care Network (PCN), in the national COVID-19 vaccination programme in primary care?**

	%
Yes	86%
No	14%

**2. To what extent, if at all, would you say each of the following is a barrier to your practice, Trust, Health Board or PCN's participation in the COVID-19 vaccination programme? (1 = no barrier at all, 5 = a significant barrier)**

	1	2	3	4	5	DK
Lack of available workforce	19%	12%	14%	18%	12%	25%
High workload	9%	9%	21%	14%	25%	23%
Inadequate premises	23%	11%	11%	18%	16%	23%
Financial viability	19%	11%	12%	16%	4%	39%
Lack of supply of the vaccine to my area	14%	7%	11%	9%	25%	35%
System planning is in the early stages	23%	7%	12%	16%	14%	28%
Barriers to collaboration between stakeholders in my area	14%	5%	14%	12%	19%	35%

### 3. Based on your direct experience, how well would you say the COVID-19 vaccination programme is going?

	%
Not very well at all	4%
Not very well	10%
Neither well nor badly	10%
Quite well	44%
Very well	32%
Don't know	1%
<b>Net not well</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>Net well</b>	<b>76%</b>

4. Thinking about the COVID-19 vaccination programme in your practice, Trust, Health Board or PCN, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements:

a) Workforce

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree	Don't know	Net disagree	Net agree
<b>Our clinical workforce is sufficient to deliver the current required vaccination numbers.</b>	8%	26%	12%	38%	14%	3%	<b>33%</b>	<b>52%</b>
<b>We are able to quickly and easily onboard volunteers and returners to support our vaccination programme.</b>	13%	29%	15%	23%	12%	9%	<b>42%</b>	<b>35%</b>
<b>Our clinical workforce is likely to be sufficient to meet expected vaccination numbers over the next month (if there is sufficient vaccine supply)</b>	7%	24%	10%	38%	16%	5%	<b>31%</b>	<b>54%</b>
<b>Our administrative staff support is sufficient for the current vaccine programme delivery.</b>	5%	26%	12%	38%	14%	6%	<b>30%</b>	<b>52%</b>
<b>We have sufficient funding for required additional staff costs to deliver the vaccine.</b>	14%	28%	17%	16%	5%	20%	<b>41%</b>	<b>21%</b>

**b) Workload and wellbeing**

	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Net disagree</b>	<b>Net agree</b>
<b>I am concerned about being able to deliver essential business as usual work on top of the vaccination programme.</b>	1%	7%	9%	40%	40%	2%	<b>8%</b>	<b>81%</b>
<b>Staff illness and absence due to COVID-19 is compromising the vaccination programme.</b>	3%	35%	24%	27%	6%	4%	<b>38%</b>	<b>34%</b>
<b>Staff illness and absence due to COVID-19 is compromising our ability to deliver essential business as usual workload.</b>	4%	26%	21%	32%	14%	5%	<b>30%</b>	<b>45%</b>
<b>Staff wellbeing is being supported and managed well.</b>	5%	22%	29%	36%	7%	2%	<b>26%</b>	<b>42%</b>
<b>I feel burnt out from the current workload / stress of my role.</b>	6%	30%	27%	25%	12%	1%	<b>36%</b>	<b>37%</b>
<b>I feel confident I will be able to keep up current levels of workload over the next few months.</b>	11%	28%	22%	31%	6%	3%	<b>39%</b>	<b>37%</b>

**c) Premises and technology**

	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Net disagree</b>	<b>Net agree</b>
<b>The premises we are using for vaccinations have sufficient space to ensure we can deliver vaccinations safely and efficiently.</b>	4%	12%	8%	50%	25%	1%	<b>16%</b>	<b>75%</b>
<b>The premises we are using for vaccinations are accessible for all patients.</b>	4%	13%	5%	54%	23%	1%	<b>17%</b>	<b>77%</b>
<b>The systems we are using to book appointments and record vaccines are now running smoothly.</b>	3%	18%	18%	43%	12%	7%	<b>21%</b>	<b>54%</b>
<b>We have sufficient IT hardware to support roving vaccinations.</b>	6%	25%	17%	27%	8%	17%	<b>31%</b>	<b>35%</b>

**d) Vaccine**

	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Net disagree</b>	<b>Net agree</b>
<b>There is a good vaccine supply and availability to meet demand.</b>	31%	39%	12%	13%	1%	4%	<b>70%</b>	<b>14%</b>
<b>Vaccines are being handled well with little wastage.</b>	1%	2%	5%	35%	53%	4%	<b>3%</b>	<b>88%</b>
<b>Lack of advance notice and last-minute changes are hampering vaccine delivery.</b>	1%	5%	9%	37%	43%	6%	<b>6%</b>	<b>80%</b>

**e) Patient uptake**

	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Net disagree</b>	<b>Net agree</b>
<b>Patient uptake of appointments offered for the vaccine is high.</b>	0%	2%	2%	33%	61%	3%	<b>2%</b>	<b>94%</b>
<b>Many patients in my area have indicated to us that they are unlikely to take the vaccine.</b>	35%	55%	4%	4%	0%	2%	<b>90%</b>	<b>4%</b>

**f) Guidance and communications**

	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Neither agree nor disagree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Net disagree</b>	<b>Net agree</b>
<b>There is not enough clear, quality guidance and communications from health authorities about the vaccination programme.</b>	7%	28%	24%	26%	10%	4%	<b>35%</b>	<b>37%</b>
<b>I am clear where to go for help if our vaccination site is facing issues in supply or delivery.</b>	6%	19%	21%	31%	4%	20%	<b>25%</b>	<b>35%</b>

## About you

How would you describe your current role (please tick all that apply)?

	%
GP Partner	59%
Salaried GP	22%
Locum GP	9%
GP Trainer	6%
GP Trainee	3%
Academic GP	1%
GP system leadership role (PCN clinical director or equivalent)	5%
GP commissioning role	2%
COVID-19 vaccination programme lead	2%
Other	9%

Which country do you work in?

	%	Count
England	86%	379
Northern Ireland	3%	12
Scotland	8%	34
Wales	4%	16



## Please select your age category

	%
Under 30 yrs	1%
30-39 yrs	12%
40-49 yrs	25%
50-59 yrs	42%
60-64 yrs	12%
64-69 yrs	5%
70+ yrs	3%
Prefer not to say	1%

## Please select an option which best describes your ethnicity

	%
White/White British	81%
Mixed/Multiple ethnic groups	1%
Asian/Asian British	11%
Black/African/Caribbean/Black British	1%
Other	1%
Prefer not to say	5%

## How did you come across this survey?

	%
RCGP Website	11%
Prof Martin Marshall's Blog	42%
Direct email with the survey	44%
Social media	1%
Shared by a friend	1%
Other	3%