

Principles for Staff Vaccinating in

Communicate with the Home Manager and consider consent and capacity needs

Approach the Home Manager early to allow preparation time for staffing, residents and the environment on vaccination day

Reduce the risk of transmission; be familiar with care home specific CQC and Covid guidance relating to IPC in particular uniform policy, refer to reminders for correct PPE use including sessional use versus single use items and full PPE where positive cases are known

Equipment; make sure you have all your kit together to prevent interruption and ensure it is sanitised appropriately before entering the home i.e. bags, lap tops

Have you prepared? Make sure you have your LFD result and be prepared for temperature checks and signing in as per CQC regulatory guidance care Homes must follow

Outbreak status- **DO NOT** visit other care settings on the same day unless staff can change uniform between sites and **NEVER** after visiting a positive setting. Has a **risk assessment** completed to demonstrate safety for visiting professionals and the home where an outbreak is identified? **DO NOT** allow staff from other care settings to attend for vaccination

Make the most of your contact with the staff and residents and feedback any concerns or positive comments through the appropriate channels, every contact really does count. Use the Aide Memoir to frame your observations and gathering of information – see attached

Environment; ensure the environment is fit for purpose, do you need a site visit beforehand? Can privacy and dignity be maintained? Is there enough ventilation and space?

Saving lives; for every 20 residents vaccinated you save one life!

