

Ref: FOI/00217/CMICB  
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**Previous Request:**

**1) In pdf format (or similar) please provide NHS C&M's online Covid vaccine booking slides/pages (or however they are referred to) showing all information asked of and provided to the person booking. This is for adults with decision-making capacity only, please.**

**2) Please show any changes to these slides over time, giving the date of occurrence**

**Previous Response:**

1 – 2) NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB does not operate a Covid-19 vaccination booking system or hold copies of the Covid-19 vaccination booking system showing all information asked for by the person booking a Covid-19 vaccination. However, you can access the national Covid-19 vaccination booking system, which is publicly available and details the information asked for from people booking a Covid-19 vaccination via the following link to the national NHS website: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>

You may wish to redirect your request to NHS England, as the commissioner of the national booking system for Covid-19 vaccinations, regarding any changes to the information requested from people using this service. NHS England can be contacted for Freedom of Information requests via the following email address: [england.contactus@nhs.net](mailto:england.contactus@nhs.net)

**Your Request:**

**Many thanks for your response; I have contacted NHS England as you suggested. However, I am a little confused as to how NHS C&M can have no record of the booking system employed to vaccinate people in their region. Can I therefore alter my FOI (whether a review or a new FOI request) to ask the following:**

**i) There must have been some sort of tangible interface between the NHS England booking system and NHS C&M, confirming to vaccinators prior to injection that vaccine recipients have consented to the treatment and been given the info they required to make that decision. Therefore, please provide the paperwork/documentation/computer screen display/etc that vaccinators will have been presented with and/or NHS C&M will have on their records prior to vaccination, which confirms that the patient has indeed granted informed consent before injection.**

**Our Response:**

i) As previously advised, NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB does not operate a Covid-19 vaccination booking system or hold copies of the paperwork /documentation/computer screen display/etc. that vaccinators will have been presented with.

For information, the national booking system for Covid-19 vaccination appointments is operated by NHS England. Additionally, local Covid-19 vaccination booking systems were also operated by the Primary Care Networks providing these vaccinations.

However, NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB understands that consent for Covid-19 vaccinations will have been obtained at time of attending the appointment, rather than in advance via any booking system.

**Your Request:**

**ii) In addition to (i), above, please provide evidence of which consent protocol(s) (eg, GMC/BMA/Green Book Chapter 2 on Consent/etc) that vaccinators were advised/bound to follow when injecting consenting adults with decision-making capacity.**

**Our Response:**

ii) The former CCGs and NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB have not mandated a particular form or method of obtaining consent or hold information detailing evidence of which consent protocols were followed. The final decision about the recording of consent for Covid-19 vaccinations will have resided with the clinical leads in each provider administering Covid-19 vaccinations. Therefore, each provider may have managed their own consent process in a different way. Information on how each provider of Covid-19 vaccinations will have obtained consent will be held by each of the providers themselves.

Clinicians working in Covid-19 vaccination centres will have followed the guidance provided by their professional regulator such as the General Medical Council (GMC), Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) or The Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) and the guidance contained in The Green Book.

Additionally, copies of the national Covid-19 vaccination consent form and letters for adults are publicly available and published on the Government website via the below link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccination-consent-form-and-letter-for-adults>