



CEG Guide: MMR Catch-up Service, 2021-22

Childhood immunisations are now an 'essential service' that practices cannot opt out of. One of the core contractual standards is to participate in national catch-up campaigns, such as the current campaign for Measle Mumps and Rubella (MMR).

An Item of Service fee of **£10.06** is paid for each MMR dose delivered. This is facilitated by CQRS using data automatically extracted from GP clinical systems every month.

Eligibility

Any patient who has not received a completed routine course of MMR vaccination is eligible for the catch-up service. A completed course consists of two MMR doses separated by at least one month.

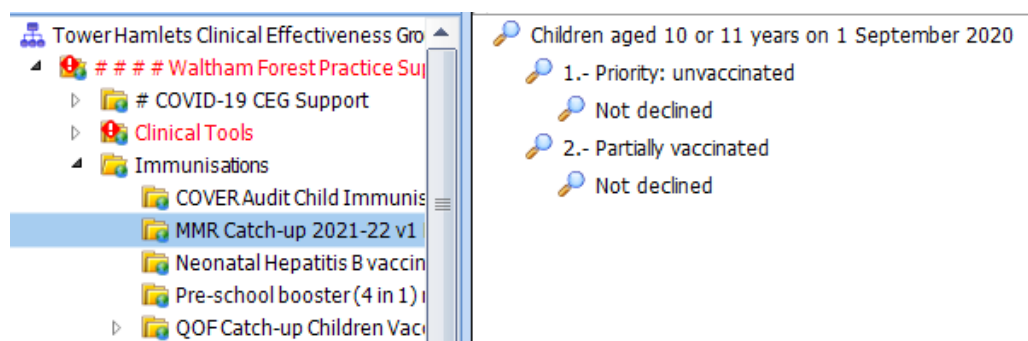
How to approach patients:

Children aged 10 and 11 on 1 September in the preceding financial year	Call/recall
Aged 6 up to those born in 1970	Opportunistic
Born before 1970	Only give MMR if the patient requests it and they are considered to be at high risk of exposure

Note: Unless there is a reliable history of appropriate immunisation it should be assumed individuals are not immunised. Doses given before the first birthday, perhaps because of travel or a local outbreak, should be ignored.

Call/recall for 10 and 11-year-olds

Copy '**MMR Catch-up 2021-22**' from your Clinical Effectiveness Group folder into your practice domain and run the searches to identify children aged 10 and 11 for call/recall:





For each patient found by the search:

- Check if the child still lives in your catchment area
- Check whether you have a full *coded* record of their immunisations
- You should make **three approaches** – the third invitation should be a telephone or face-to-face contact by a healthcare professional. If no success, inform the school nursing service.

Note: Approach parents who have previously declined with care – a personal approach by a clinician or someone they trust is more likely to be effective. The [Vaccine Knowledge Project](#) can provide answers to many parents' questions and concerns.

Coding

Use the CEG template '**Childhood Immunisation CEG (RP)**' to make sure your coding is compatible with current business rules and will be picked up by CQRS for payment. You'll find the template in Resource Publisher.

Contraindications

The MMR vaccine contains attenuated live viruses and should not be given to people who are clinically immunocompromised.

Vaccine ingredients

In the UK there are two MMR vaccines: MMRVaxPro and Priorix. Priorix does **not** contain gelatine.

Useful resources

- [Vaccine Knowledge Project: MMR vaccine](#)
- [The Green Book: Measles](#)
- [NHS England: Update on vaccination and immunisation changes for 2021/22](#)
- [UKHSA guidance: Measles, mumps, rubella \(MMR\): use of combined vaccine instead of single vaccines](#)