

**For the attention of Community Pharmacies providing the Autumn 2023 COVID-19 & Seasonal Influenza Community Pharmacy Vaccine Service (CPVS):**

**Update Three: 4<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023**

**1. From 9th October COVID-19 CPVS providers should ONLY use Comirnaty XBB.1.5**

ACTION:

- Please Ensure you have ordered the required stock of Comirnaty XBB.1.5
- Stop the administration of Comirnaty BA.4-5 after the 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023
- Vaccinations from 9<sup>th</sup> October must be Comirnaty XBB.1.5
- Quarantine any remaining stock of the Comirnaty BA.4-5 vaccine until the PHA issues further guidance for this stock

**2. PHA are aiming to vaccinate as many eligible patients as possible by 31st October 2023**

REMINDER: Prioritise completing care home vaccinations by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023. An additional fee shall be paid for each care home completed by 31st October. Vaccinations for 'walk in' eligible patients presenting in pharmacies will continue until early December 2023, unless otherwise notified.

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Regards,

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