Thera Connex newsletter

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Welcome to Thera Connex

We wanted to tell you about some changes to the coronavirus guidance in England, due to a new coronavirus variant.



Changes to the coronavirus guidance

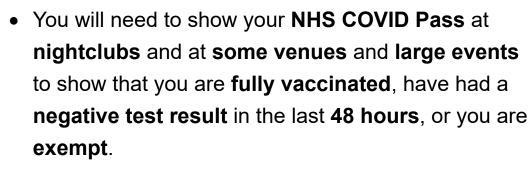
The UK Government has announced some **changes** to the **coronavirus guidance**. This is because the new variant called **Omicron** is **spreading** very **fast**:



face covering

 You must wear a face covering in most indoor public places, at large venues and events, and on public transport.







work from home



government

The UK Government is also **advising people** to take a **lateral flow test** before they **meet other people**.



government



vaccine



3 months

Additional COVID-19 vaccinations

People who have a weakened immune system are being offered a 3rd dose of the coronavirus vaccine. This should be given at least 8 weeks after their 2nd dose.

People will also need to have a booster vaccine 3 months after the date of their 3rd dose.

www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirusvaccination/coronavirus-vaccine-3rd-dose/

Travel rules



negative

All countries on the travel red list have been removed. You will still need to show a negative PCR or lateral flow test result before travelling to England from abroad. You must take the test in the 2 days before you travel to England.



self-isolate

You are also required to take a PCR test within 2 days of arriving in England and self-isolate until you get a negative test result, even if you are fully vaccinated.



10 days

If you are not fully vaccinated you will need to self-isolate for 10 days when you return to England. You will need to take a PCR test on day 2 and day 8.

Booster vaccines



3 months

People over 18 can now get their booster vaccine **3 months** after receiving their second dose. The Government is advising people to **get their booster vaccine as soon as possible**.



website

You can book your booster vaccine online at:

www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/



28 days

If you are eligible for a booster dose and you have had a **positive COVID-19 test**, you need to **wait 4 weeks** (28 days) before getting a booster dose.





christmas



mental health

Your wellbeing at Christmas time

Whilst Christmas time can be exciting and fun for many people there are still lots of things that you may be worrying about. Many issues that can affect your mental health can feel even harder to manage at Christmas time.

If you feel lonely, sad or anxious know that you are not alone.



If you feel like you need some more support during the Christmas period you can contact some of the below "Listening Services" and tell them how you are feeling.



Listening services are there to listen to you talk about how you're feeling. You can talk to them about anything. Sharing your problems can be helpful to manage your feelings. Often people on helplines will have their own experience of mental health issues.

Samaritans

Can be contacted by telephone, letter, e-mail and mini-com. There's also a face-to-face service, available at their local branches. They are open 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

Telephone: 116 123

Email: jo@samaritans.org

Website: www.samaritans.org

The Silver Line

Aimed at people over 55. Their helpline is open 24 hours a day, every day of the year.

Telephone: 0800 470 80 90

Website: www.thesilverline.org.uk

Shout 85258

Shout is a free, confidential, anonymous service for anyone in the UK.

Shout have trained volunteers available 24/7 to listen and support you to get to a calmer and safe place.

To start a conversation, **text** the word **SHOUT** to **85258**.

The goal of the conversation is to help you reach a calm and safe place, with a plan of how to support yourself going forwards. As well as listening without judgement, Shout volunteers may provide you with further resources or tools to help you get more expert support.

Website: www.giveusashout.org/

The Mix

Aimed at people under 25. Their helpline is open between 4pm and 11pm, 7 days a week. They also run a crisis text service which is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Telephone: 0808 808 4994 **E-mail**: through the website.

Crisis text message service: Text THEMIX to 85258

Webchat: through the website. (4pm - 11pm, 7 days a week)

Website: www.themix.org.uk

Support Line

Support Line provide a confidential telephone helpline offering emotional support to any individual on any issue. Their opening hours vary so you need to ring them for details.

Telephone: 01708 765200

E-mail: info@supportline.org.uk
Website: www.supportline.org.uk



Christmas Wordsearch

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BOW DECEMBER GIFT

BOX DECORATIONS GINGERBREAD

GARLAND

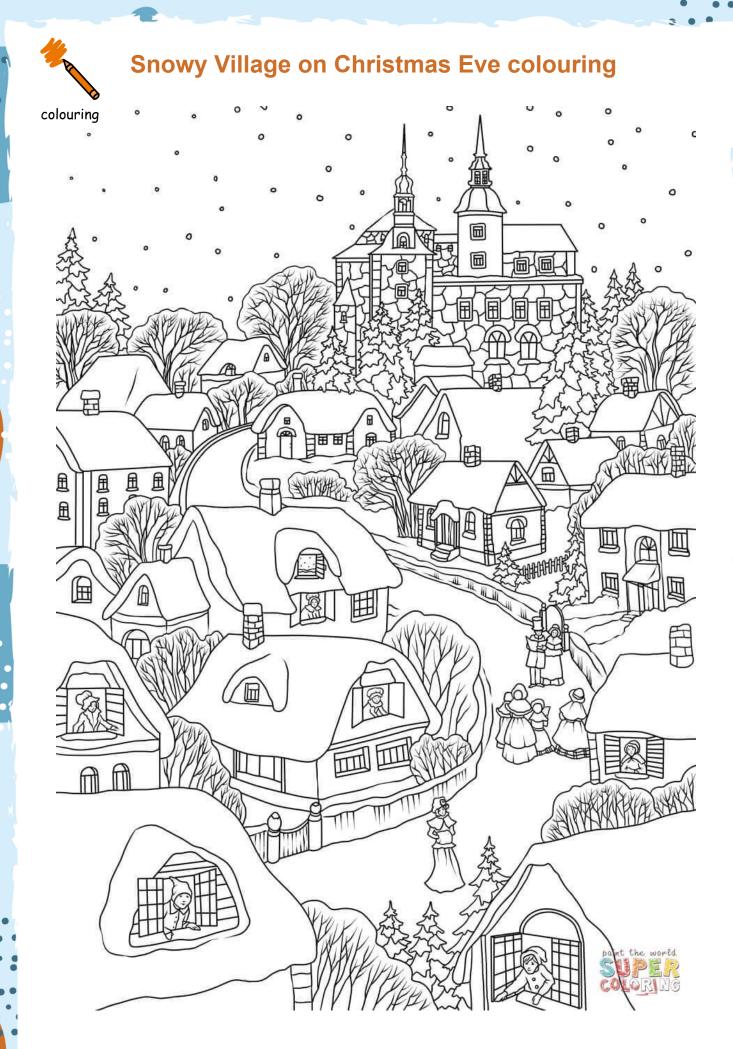
BOXING DAY ELF GRINCH

CANDLE EXCHANGE MISTLETOE

CAROLING FAMILY MUSIC

CHOCOLATE FESTIVE

CHRISTMAS FIREPLACE





Let us know what you think of Thera Connex

We want to hear your feedback about Thera Connex so we can make improvements for the future and include content you want to see.

The survey takes less than 5 minutes to complete and we would love to hear from you!

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TheraConnex



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