



# UK Covid-19 Inquiry



**January 2025  
Newsletter**



# Introduction

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**Welcome to our January Newsletter!**



This is our first update of 2025.

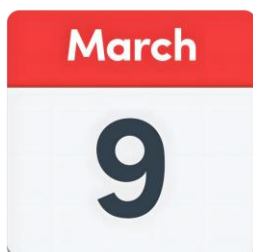
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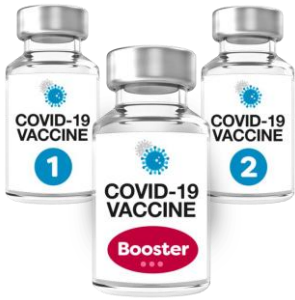


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# Module 4: Vaccines and Therapeutics



Covid-19 **vaccines** are given to people as an injection.

A **vaccine** teaches your body to recognise and fight a virus.



**Therapeutics** help people to recover from Covid-19 more quickly.

Examples of **therapeutics** include drugs and antibodies.



The hearings for this investigation are at Dorland house in London.

**Start:** Tuesday 14 January 2025

**End:** Friday 31 January 2025



During Module 4 we will look at these issues:

- how vaccines were developed



- how vaccines were delivered to people across the UK



- how medications were used to treat Covid-19

- How prepared we are for another pandemic



You can find more information on the [Module 4 page of our website](#).

**To watch Module 4 hearings:**



**[Book a seat at the hearing in London](#)**

Dorland House, Paddington, W2 6BU



**[Watch it on YouTube](#)**

**To get information and updates:**



**[Visit the module 4 hearings page](#)**



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# The Inquiry's 2<sup>nd</sup> report



Baroness Hallet plans to publish her 2nd report in autumn 2025.



It is about the decisions made by the UK's governments during the pandemic.



It will use evidence from 4 modules. There will be a list of recommendations, to help us prepare for future pandemics.



Read more about our plans for 2025:  
[Inquiry's work and plans for 2025](#)



# Hearing dates 2025

## Vaccines and therapeutics

14 January – 31 January

## Procurement

3 March – 27 March



## Test, trace, isolate

12 May – 20 May

## Care sector

30 June – 31 July



## Children and young people

29 September – 23 October

## Economic response

24 November – 18 December



## Impact on society

Early 2026





## Every Story Matters events:

### Manchester

6 and 7 February

10.30am – 5.30pm

**The Rates Hall.**

**Enter through Manchester Central  
Library, St Peter's Square, M2 5PD**



### Bristol

11 and 12 February

10.30am – 5.30pm

**The Galleries**

**25, Union Gallery, Broadmead,  
BS1 3XD**



### Swansea

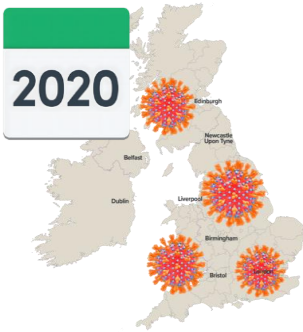
14 and 15 February

11am – 7pm

**LC2, Oystermouth Road, SA1 3ST**







# Day of reflection

The pandemic started 5 years ago.

There will be a day of reflection on Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> of March. We will remember the people who died.

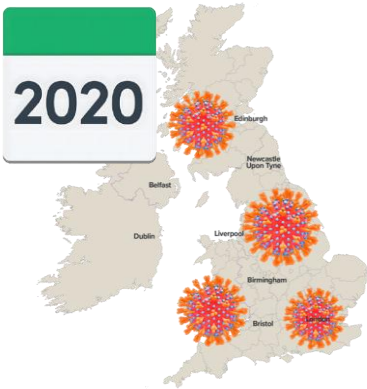


We will also honour people who worked so hard to help others:



- health and social care staff
- teachers, shop staff, and other essential workers
- researchers
- everyone who volunteered and helped their family and friends





## How to take part in the Day of Reflection

Here are some ideas about how to take part:



- organise your own gathering



- join a local event
- remember people in your own way at home



Visit this website for more ideas and information:

[Covid-19 Day of Reflection](#)

# Getting help



If you need to talk to someone about losing a loved one, you can contact Hestia.



Hestia is a charity which helps people to recover from trauma and mental health problems.



**Phone:** 0800 246 5617



**Email:**

[covid19inquiry.support@hestia.org](mailto:covid19inquiry.support@hestia.org)



**Web:** <https://covid19.public-inquiry.uk/support-whilest-engaging-with-the-inquiry/>



## **The National Covid Memorial Wall in London.**

Photo by Kush Rattan Photography.