

Why is this important?

Immunisations are a proven tool for controlling and eliminating life-threatening infectious diseases and are estimated to avert between 2 and 3 million deaths each year globally. The refreshed Immunisations Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) outlines the Lewisham trends in vaccination coverage for routine childhood and adult immunisation, identifies the unmet needs and provides recommendations for future actions to enhance delivery and uptake of immunisation.

Key Facts and Figures

Lewisham is not achieving the majority of immunisation targets, particularly MMR vaccinations



HPV Vaccine for teenage girls has seen positive improvements to increase to almost **80%**

A Shingles vaccine is now available for those aged 70+ and the flu vaccine will soon be expanded for all primary school children

Children and young people from vulnerable and minority ethnic groups are at greater risk of not being fully immunised



The measles diagnosis rate have fallen with the higher MMR vaccination rate



67%
Flu vaccination uptake in Lewisham for those 65 years and over

What is happening nationally?

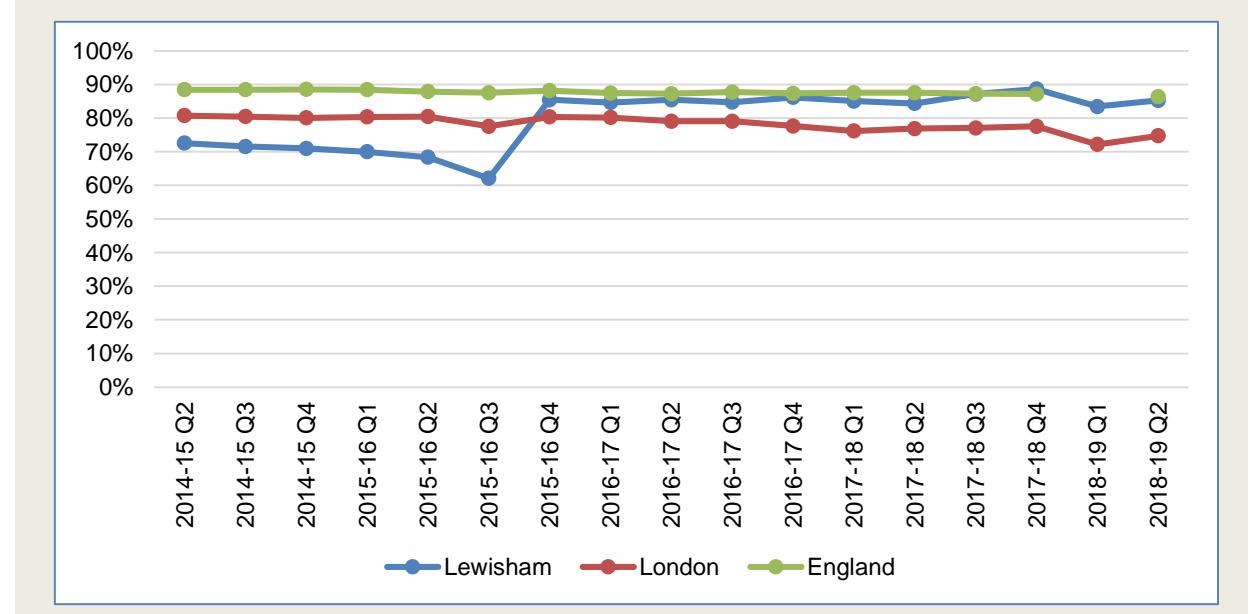
- Review of GP vaccinations and immunisation standards, funding, and procurement will be undertaken to support the goal of improving immunisation coverage
- From September 2019, all boys aged 12 and 13 will be offered vaccination against HPV-related diseases, such as oral, throat and anal cancer
- A digital version of the Health Visitor provided 'red book' will help parents record and use information about their child, immunisation records and growth

What is happening locally?

An Information Action Plan is improving training and communication with the public.



Support for GPs - aiming for best practice and to ensure good flow of data, including feedback of information to practices.



Uptake of Measles, Mumps and Rubella 2nd Vaccine by Age 5

What needs to be done?

- Further engagement with primary and secondary schools to improve uptake of the school age immunisations
- Explore ways of promoting the MMR vaccination to all Lewisham residents to improve uptake, this includes working with NHS England and GP Practices
- Improve uptake of season flu vaccination in all eligible groups by sharing best practice from GP Practices with the highest levels of uptake
- To continue to support improvement of uptake of whopping cough (pertussis) vaccination in pregnant women by improving the access to through the new maternity service