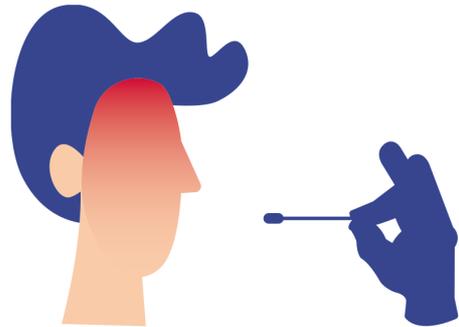


Coronavirus (COVID-19)

CORONAVIRUS

High temperature or
new continuous cough
or loss of taste or smell?

You can now get tested.



You can get tested for COVID-19

- Everyone must help stop coronavirus spreading.
- If you go out, stay 2 metres (6ft) away from other people.
- Avoid touching your face and wash your hands as soon as you get home.
- You can spread the virus even if you don't have symptoms.

→ [Click here for more information](#)

→ [Find out how to get tested here](#)

→ [A COVID-19 symptom checker is available here](#)

→ [Click here for more information on the new StopCOVID NI app](#)

Welcome

The Public Health Agency (PHA) was established in April 2009 as part of the reforms to Health and Social Care (HSC) in Northern Ireland. We are the major regional organisation for health protection and health and social wellbeing improvement. Our role also commits us to addressing the causes and associated inequalities of preventable ill-health and lack of wellbeing. We are a multi-disciplinary, multi-professional body with a strong regional and local presence.

Directorates

In fulfilling our mandate to protect public health, improve public health and social wellbeing, and reduce inequalities in health and social wellbeing, the PHA works within an operational framework of three areas: Public Health, Nursing and Allied Health Professionals, and Operations. Our corporate and business plans reflect these arrangements and our purpose as an organisation.

Public Health

- Health Protection
- Health and Social Wellbeing Improvement
- Service Development and Screening
- HSC Research and Development

Nursing and Allied Health Professions

- Nursing
- Allied Health Professions and Personal and Public Involvement
- Centre for Connected Health
- HSC Safety Forum

Operations

- Planning and Corporate Services
- Communications and Knowledge Management

Latest



Looking after our own and our children's emotions during COVID-19

Monday, 03 August 2020 - Media

As we navigate through these changing and challenging times, we are dealing with work interruptions, family disruptions, health concern. None of us is immune to increased stress and anxiety, and this can affect our ability to adapt to a 'new normal'



PHA Update

Monday, 03 August 2020 - Publication

The Public Health Agency has launched a monthly update. The aim of the PHA Update is to help maintain a source of regular communication with stakeholders on key areas of work, with particular focus at present on COVID-19. Subscribers will receive the



Online feedback platform Care Opinion launches today in Northern Ireland

Monday, 03 August 2020 - News

From today service users, families and carers will have the opportunity to share their experience of Health and Social Care in Northern Ireland (HSC) through an online user feedback platform called Care Opinion. Care Opinion is an independent non



PHA comes out in support of LGBTQ+ community during Belfast Pride Week

Friday, 31 July 2020 - News

The Public Health Agency (PHA) is looking forward to taking part in the virtual Pride Parade on Saturday 1 August to mark the end of Belfast Pride week. Fiona Teague Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing lead in the PHA, said: "PHA is proud to