



PROTECT-CH

Prophylactic Therapy in Care Homes Trial

Background to trial



Purpose of Training

To provide an overview of the PROTECT-CH trial, and why it is still important in the era of vaccines.



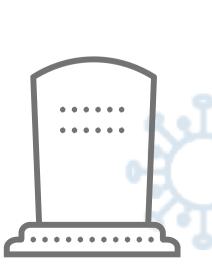
Impact of COVID-19 on Care Homes

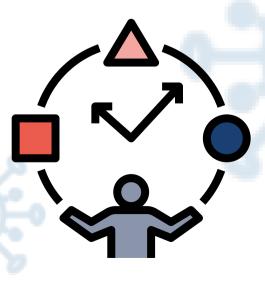
- Major cause of illness
- Major cause of disability
- Major cause of death
- Major impact on normal care and life in the home
- Limits visits from family and friends
- Impacts on quality of life and mental health of residents and staff















Most UK care homes have had at least one resident or staff member test positive for COVID-19

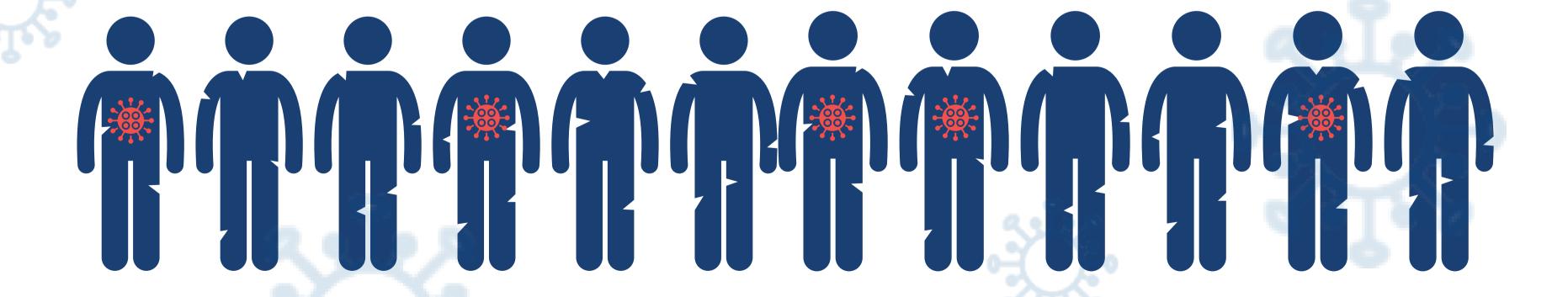




At least

40,000

Care home residents have died with COVID-19

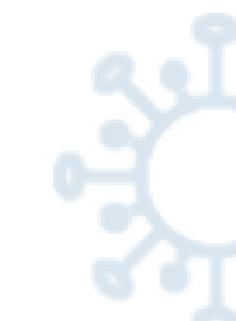




The COVID-19 vaccination programme has started in the UK and all eligible care home residents have been offered vaccinations.



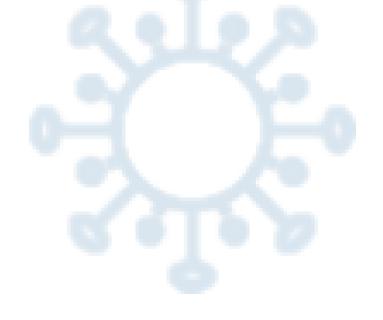
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However...









The vaccine may not stop infection completely for a variety of reasons:

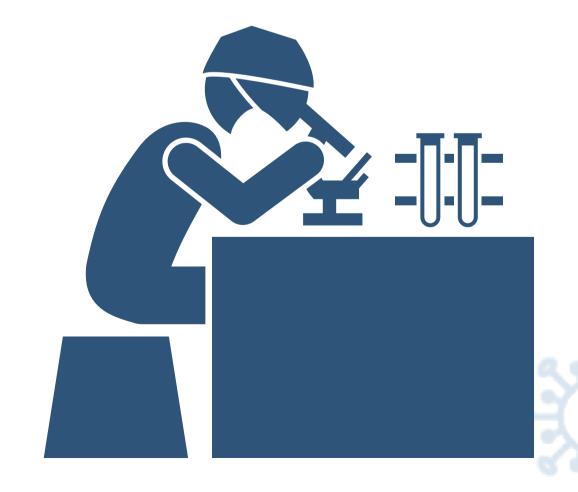




No vaccine is 100% effective

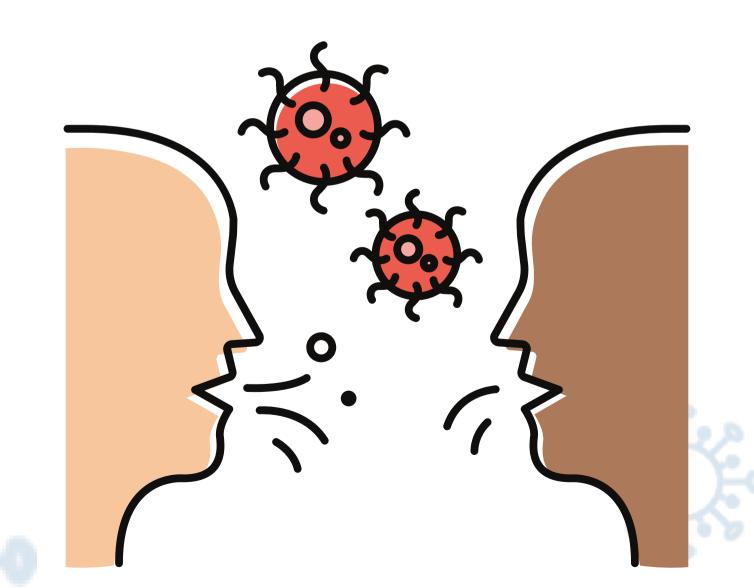
Trials have shown that the vaccine protects between 60%-95% of people against getting COVID-19

However, the trials didn't include people over 80



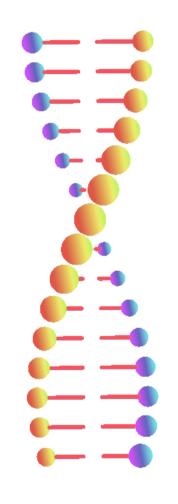


Vaccines may not completely stop the virus being passed on



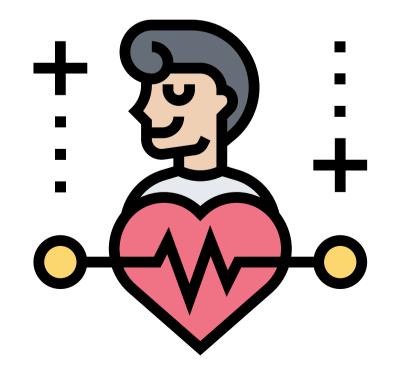


Some new variants of the virus may be more resistant to existing vaccines





So we still need to find ways to stop the virus being passed on and reduce the severity of the disease to keep care home residents safe







The PROTECT-CH trial has been set up to test several medications to see if they:

Reduce the number of residents infected with COVID-19

AND

Reduce the severity of the disease and deaths of residents from COVID-19





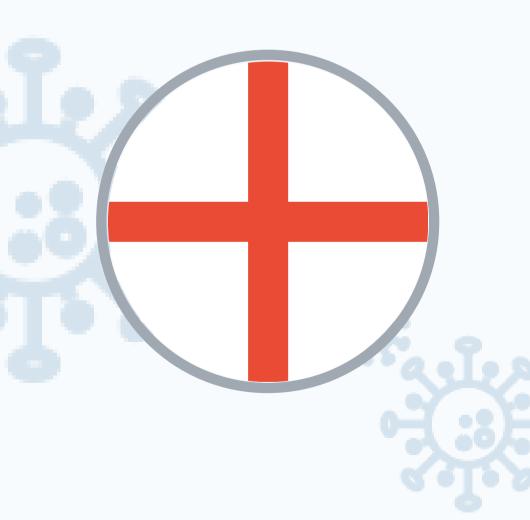
It is an Urgent Public Health trial
which has been funded by
the National Institute for Health Research
and is managed by the
University of Nottingham







Approximately 750 care homes in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales will be involved



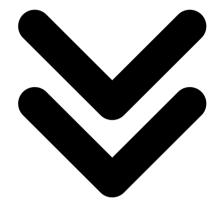








which is more than 22,000 care home residents!





The Government's independent medical and scientific advisers are recommending which medications they want us to test





The medications that will be tested will either be:



PRE-EXPOSURE:

These will be given before an outbreak of COVID-19 occurs at a care home





POST- EXPOSURE:

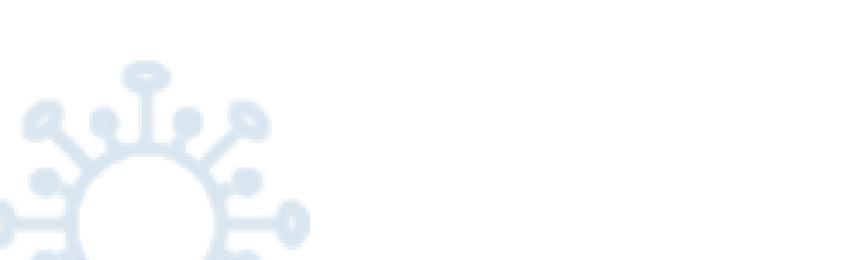
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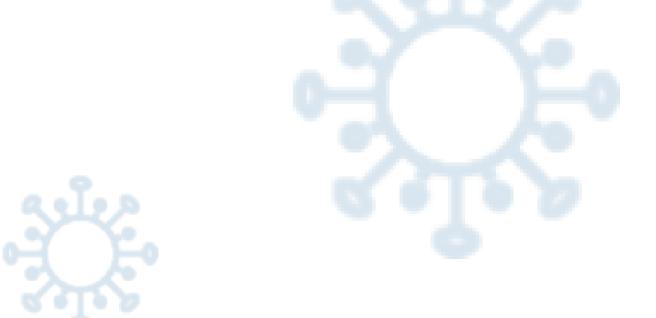






Residents who agree to take part will be allocated as a group to take either:







A treatment which aims to reduce transmission and seriousness of COVID-19 (plus standard care)

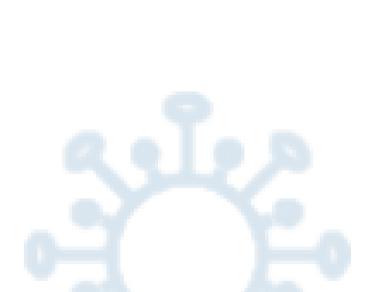
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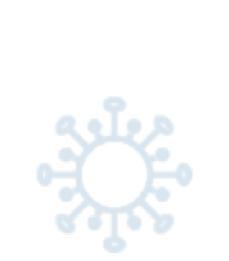


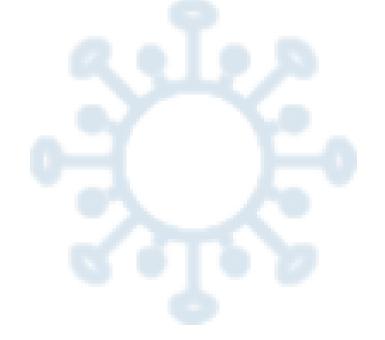
This is chosen at random by a computer (like a toss of a coin)







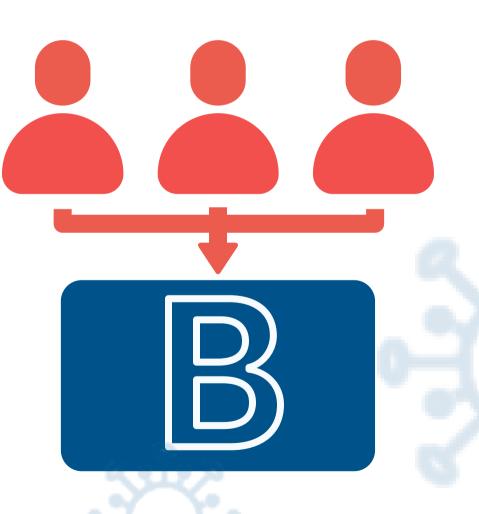






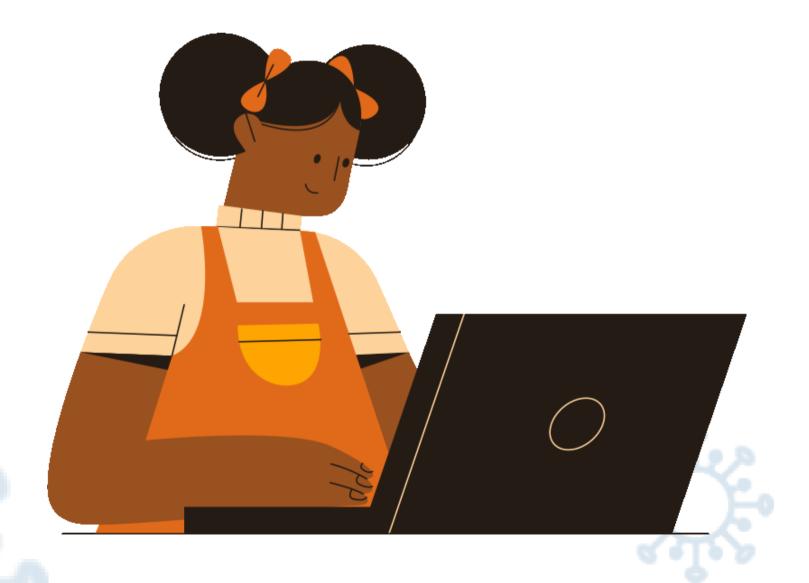
All residents involved in the trial at a care home will be in the same group







Trained care home staff will be asked to collect information about the residents and enter it into the secure trial database

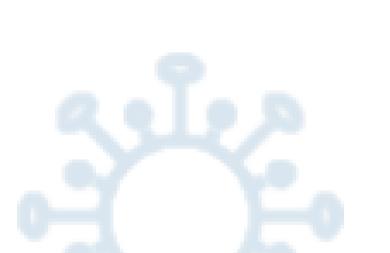




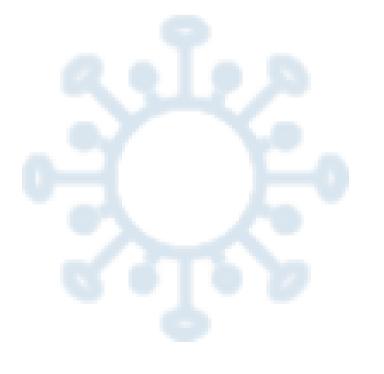




This information will help answer the research question...









Which trial medications given to prevent COVID-19 infection within a care home are the most effective compared to standard care?



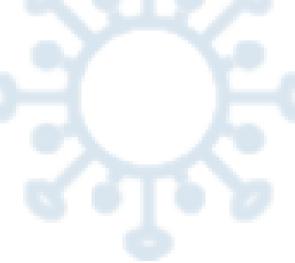


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