

EAN members: Covid-19 vaccination hesitancy in particular countries



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When has the process of SARS- CoV-2 vaccination started in social services in your country?

Country	Month	Year	COMMENT
Germany	December	2020	Very slowly beginnig vaccination of elderly people, creation of vaccination teams
Slovenia	December	2020	
Spain	December	2020	The vaccination process started on December 27th with Pfizer vaccine
Sweden	December	2020	
UK	December	2020	Uk were first country in the world to begin its vaccination programme
Italy	January	2021	covid 19 is still going on!!
Czech Republic	January	2021	
Estonia	January	2021	
France	January	2021	People in nursing homes
Italia	January	2021	national strategic plan of January 2 and to the ministerial raccomandations of March 24
Netherlands	January	2021	
Portugal	January	2021	Begining od vaccine suply
Norway	N/A	N/A	Recipients of social services is not a prioritised group, age is the main criteria for vaccination

Please name the priority groups for vaccination. (e.g. Age groups 80+, 70+ etc, Diseases, Critical infrastructure, Social sector,...)

1=highest priority

Note: Multiple answers from particular countries are possible

Country	1. Priority group	2. Priority group
Czech Republic	80+ , clients and staff in residential care, staff	70 + and people with chronicle diseases
Estonia	80+	Inhapitance Care Homes
Estonia	All customers regadrldless of age and employees. Prior consent was required.	
France	Elders living in nursing homes	75+ with comorbidities
France	Staff hospital - Nursing homes	More than 70
Germany	Age higher than 80, Staff with special high risk, Staff in medical facilities in close contact of exposure in medical facilities, Nursing staff in the outpatient and inpatient care of elderly, other people working in Retierement and nursing homes	Persons aged ≥ 75-79 years, People with Down syndrom (Trisomy 21), Persons (in institutions) with a Dementia or mental Disability, Staff with high Exposure risk in medical Facilities, People are working in the outpatient or inpatient Supply of People with dementia or mental retardation
Italy	1=highly vulnerable citizens (with extremely and serious disability, according to the list attached to the national strategic plan of January 2 and to the ministerial raccomandations of March 24)	2=age group 70+/79
Italy	High-risk groups, including health workers in hospitals and retirement homes, and residents of retirement homes and 80+	Persons over 60 years of age, persons with multiple diseases, immunodeficiency and weak persons of all ages, socio-demographic groups with significantly higher risk of serious illness or death, as well as teachers and school staff with high priority.
Italy	age groups	diseases
Netherlands	Staff in nursing homes and residential facilities for people with disabilities	Clients in nursing homes and residential facilities for peopla with daabilitiesties
Norway	Residents in nursing homes	Selection of healthcare workers
Portugal	Health professionals, elderly and professionals of care homes	Elderly over 80 years old
Slovenia	Healthcare professionals and associates (includes all employees of healthcare providers activities and all those involved in the work process of treatment and care of patients and come into direct contact with patients) and staff and carers in nursing homes	Older people (60 years of age and older) who would be vaccinated gradually depending on the availability of the vaccine, first those 80 years and older (if there will be enough vaccine in the first phase / delivery at the same

		time with healthcare professionals), then those aged 75 and over... and then aged 60 and over;
Spain	Residents in a care home for older adults and staff working in care homes for older adults	All those 80 years of age and over and frontline health and social care workers
Spain	Care home residents, health workers (including care home staff and personnel who look after vulnerable people in their homes) and adults with need for daily assistance who are not living in care facilities.	Front-line personnel in the health and social-health field
Sweden	Those living in nursing homes or receiving home care, members of the same household and staff who work with them.	Those 65 years old and above. This includes adults receiving LSS interventions or assistance allowance, healthcare and care service personnel, people who have undergone bone marrow or other organ transplantation and people undergoing dialysis treatment.
UK	All staff and residents in care homes	All people over 80 and nhs and social care front line workers

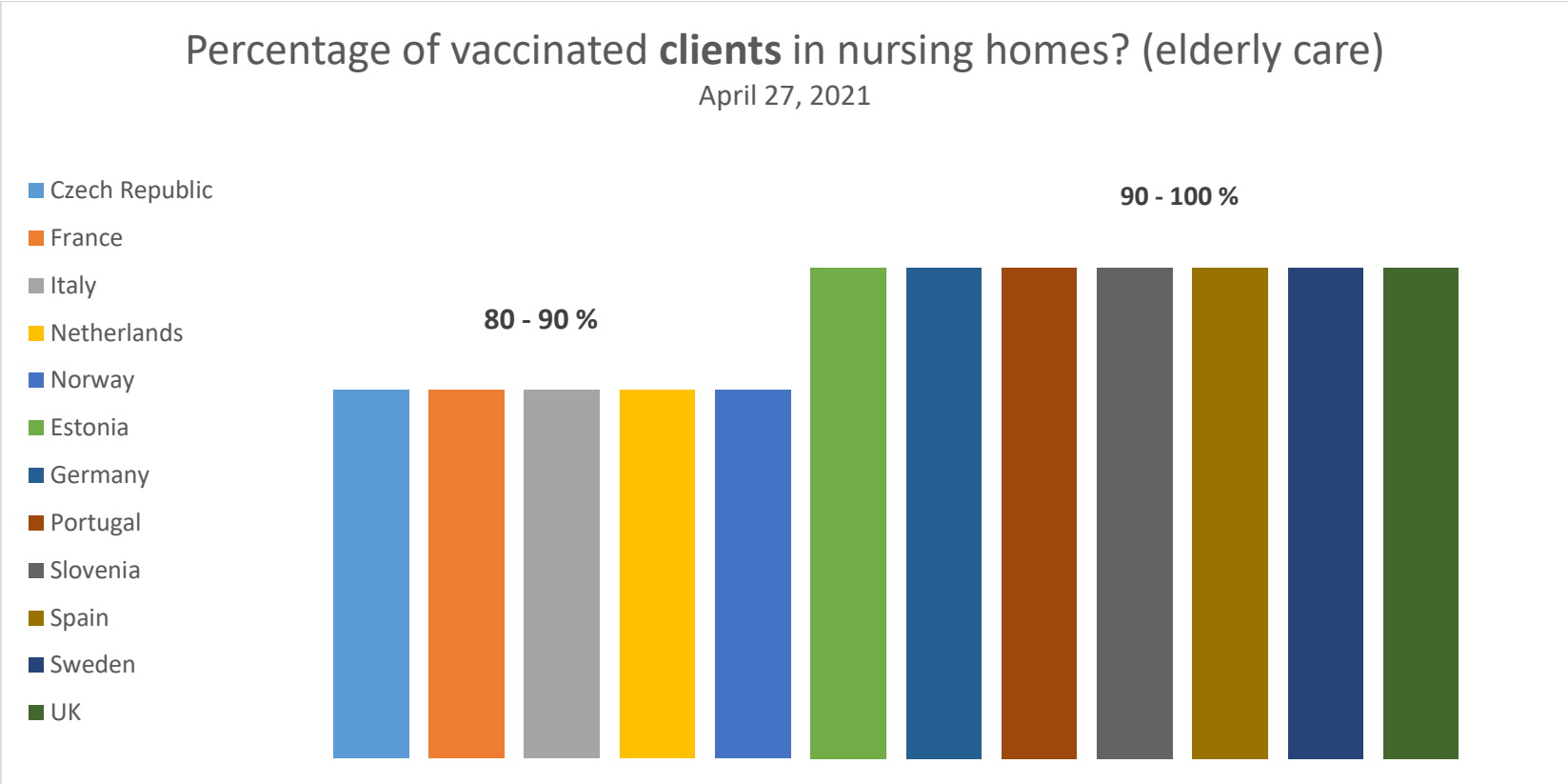
Country	3. Priority group	4. Priority group
Czech Republic	All employees in social services	
Estonia	Social sector, Critical infrastructure	70+
Estonia		
France	75+	Nursing homes staff
France	More than 55	
Germany	Persons aged ≥ 70-74 years, People with previous illnesses with high Risk, Residents and People working in shared accommodation, Close contact persons of pregnant women, Close contact persons or caregivers of people at high risk, Staff with moderate Exposure risk in medical facilities	Persons aged ≥ 65-69 years, People with previous illnesses with moderate increased risk, Close contact persons or caregivers of People with moderate increased risk, Staff with low Exposure risk in medical facilities, Teachers/ Educators, People with precarious Work and / or living conditions
Italy	3=age group 60+/69	4=-60 suffering from more diseases (but not extremely and serious, according to the list attached to the national strategic plan of January 2 and to the ministerial recommendations of March 24)

Italy	Teaching and school staff, staff of essential services and risk environments, prisons and common areas, persons with multiple diseases of all ages	entire population that has not yet been invited to be vaccinated.
Italy	social sectores-police services	
Netherlands	Staff in hospitals (only emergency care and intensive care) car	GP's
Norway	Age 85+ and selected groups of healthcare workers	age 75-84
Portugal	People over 50 years old and with other illnesses	Teachers ans non-teachinf staff
Slovenia	Chronic patients under 60 years of age (patients with cancer, diabetes, obesity, chronic diseases respiratory, cardiac, renal, hepatic, neurological patients (including those with cerebrovascular disease), immune debilitated patients	Other emergency services: e.g. employees in educational institutions (50,000), police persons), civil protection (50,000 persons), the army (9,000 persons), agricultural and food workers sector, in transport...
Spain	Critical infrastructure	All those 75 years of age and over
Spain	Other health and social health personnel	Large non-institutionalized dependents
Sweden	People who have an increased risk of severe Covid-19 will be offered vaccination as well as people who have difficulties following advice on infection control measures, such as individuals with dementia, or cognitive or mental functional impairment. This also applies to people who live in socially vulnerable situations. Diseases or conditions involving an increased risk of serious Covid-19: -chronic cardiovascular disease, including stroke and hypertension -chronic lung disease such as COPD as well as severe and unstable asthma -other conditions leading to impaired lung function or weakened cough strength and secretion stagnation (for example, extreme obesity, neuromuscular disorders or multiple disabilities) -chronic liver or kidney failure -type 1 and type 2 diabetes -severely impaired immune system due to illness or treatment -Down's syndrome.	Those not included in any of the previous priority groups (+18) will be offered vaccination.
UK	All people over 75	All people over 70 yrs and clinically extremely vulnerable

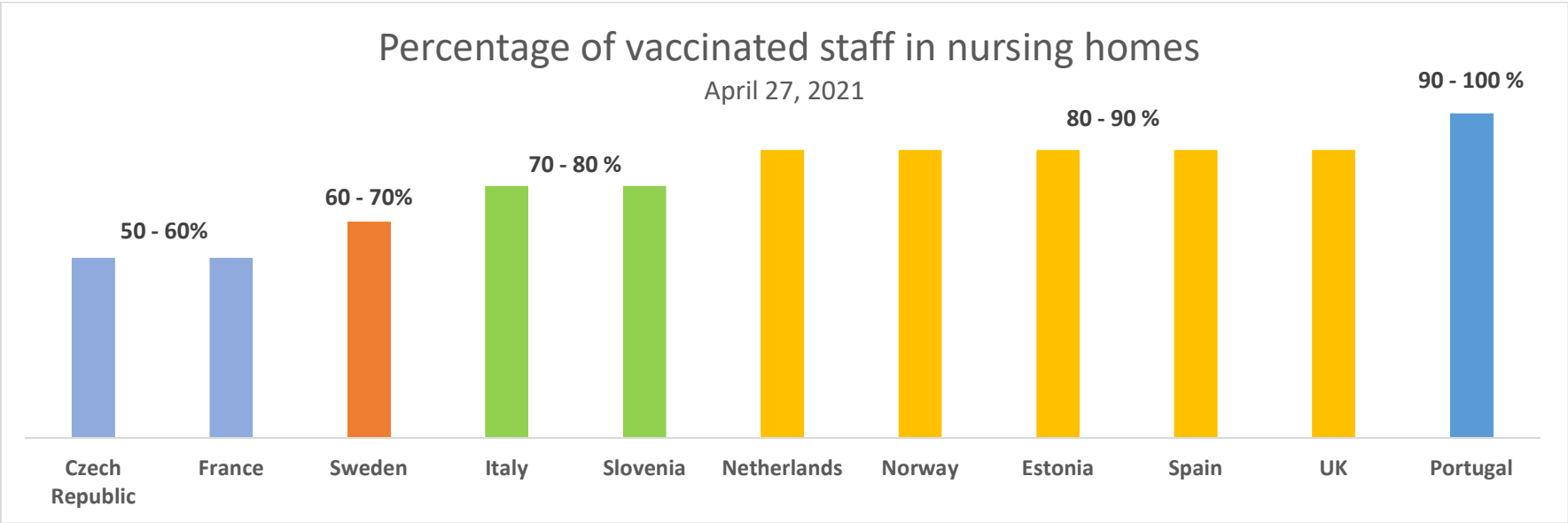
Country	5. Priority group	COMMENTS
Czech Republic		
Estonia	60+	
Estonia		
France	60+ with comorbidities	
France		
Germany	Persons aged ≥ 60-64 years, Other professional groups, i.a. - Key personnel in the State and federal governments - employees in retail trade - Employees for Maintaining the public safety with increased Exposure risk - occupational groups the critical infrastructure	<p>Priority group 6: All other people at the age of <60 years . Rationale for prioritization:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.) Age group 2.) Residents of senior citizens and Nursing homes 3.) Medical facility personnel 4.) Occupational indication and other activities (e.g. honorary office) 5.) Medical indication 6.) People with precarious work and / or living conditions
Italy	5=rest of the population -60	1=regardless of age: school and university teaching and no-teaching staff, armed forces, police force, civil defense, penitentiary and other residential community
Italy		
Italy		
Netherlands	People of 90 y+	
Norway	age 65-74 and persons with other illnesses that may cause severe covid-19 illness	<p>Furtermore: age: 55-64 with underlying medical conditions Age 45-54 with underlying medical conditions Age 18-44 with underlying medical conditions Age 55-64 Age 45-54</p>

Portugal	Remaining population sorted by decreasing age	It's going well, and now at a good pace after the increase of vaccine delivery
Slovenia	Everyone else	
Spain	All those 70 years of age and over and clinically extremely vulnerable individuals	
Spain	Senior groups (people from 70 years old to 80 and over) and people +16 years old with very high risk conditions	
Sweden		Those most at risk of COVID-19 are first vaccinated in each priority group
UK	All 65 yrs and over and then all 16 yrs to 65 yrs in at risk group	The staging appears sensible and has been supported by the population

What is the percentage of vaccinated **clients** in nursing homes? (elderly care)



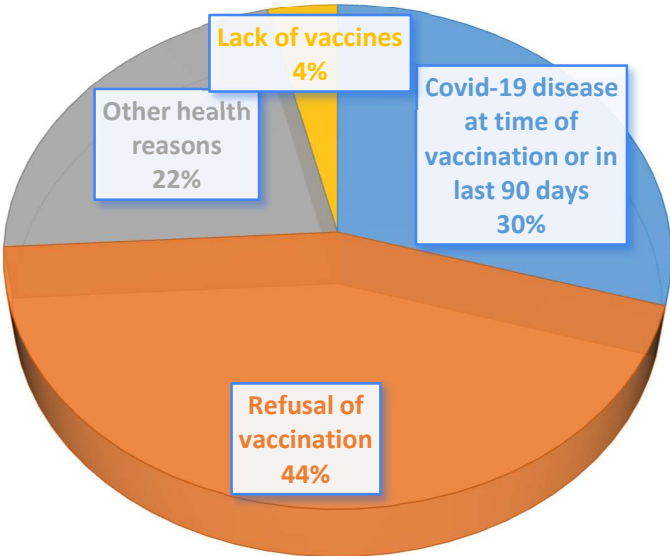
What is the percentage of vaccinated **staff** in nursing homes?



Note: Data of Germany N/A

What are the reasons that the clients are NOT vaccinated?

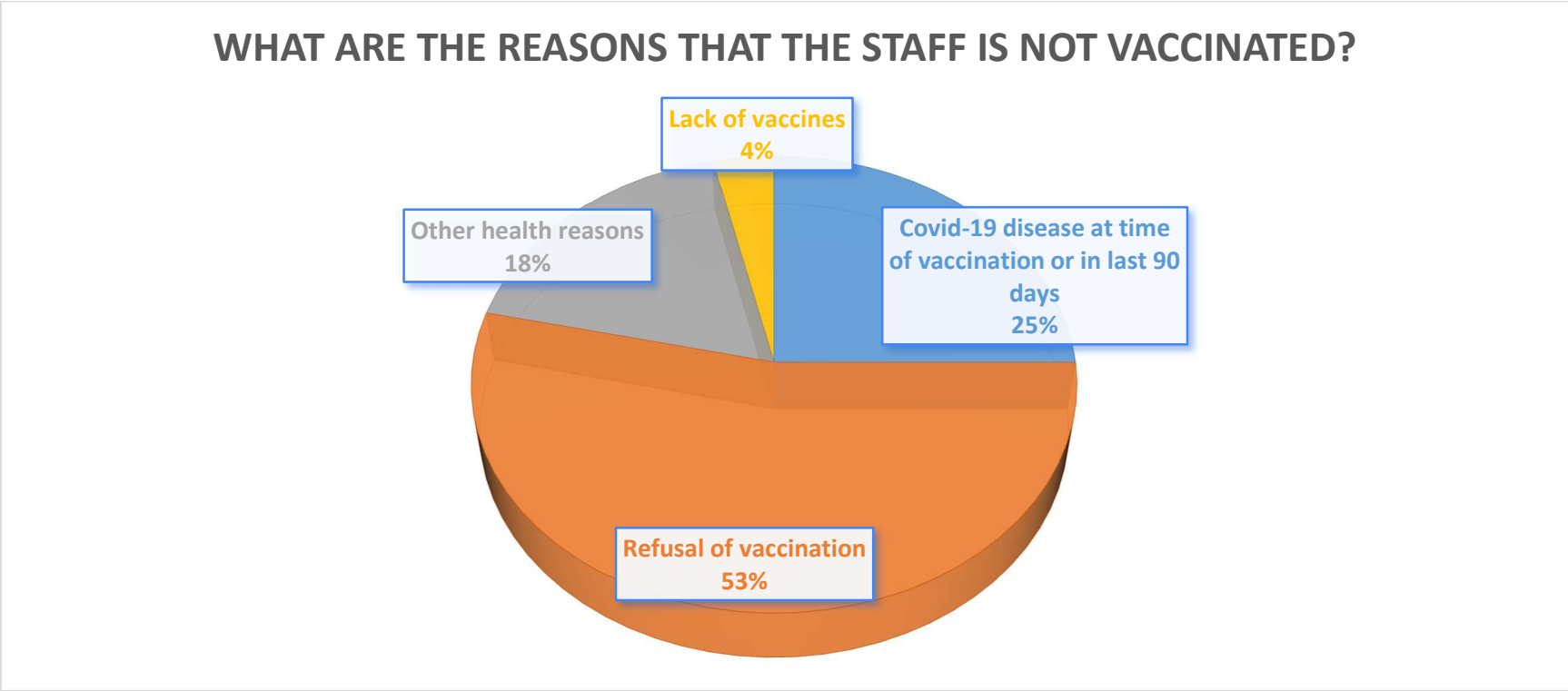
WHAT ARE THE REASONS THAT THE CLIENTS ARE NOT VACCINATED?



Country	What are the reasons that the clients are NOT vaccinated?
Czech Republic	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days, Refusal of vaccination
Estonia	Refusal of vaccination
France	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days
France	Refusal of vaccination
Germany	There are several reasons: different systems in the various federal states, no uniform procedure, availability or quantity of vaccines, stop of AstraZ. and Johnson & Johnson, People who do not want or refuse a vaccination
Italy	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days, Other health reasons
Italy	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days, Refusal of vaccination
Italy	Refusal of vaccination, legal matters
Netherlands	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days, Other health reasons, Refusal of vaccination
Norway	Refusal of vaccination
Portugal	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days
Slovenia	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days, Other health reasons, Refusal of vaccination
Spain	Other health reasons
Spain	Other health reasons, Refusal of vaccination
Sweden	Refusal of vaccination
UK	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days, Refusal of vaccination

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What are the reasons that the staff is NOT vaccinated?



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Netherlands	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days, Other health reasons, Refusal of vaccination
Norway	I do not know
Portugal	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days
Slovenia	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days, Other health reasons, Refusal of vaccination
Spain	Refusal of vaccination
Spain	Other health reasons, Refusal of vaccination
Sweden	Refusal of vaccination
UK	Covid-19 disease at time of vaccination or in last 90 days, Refusal of vaccination, The refusers are made up of women between 18 and 30 and BAME staff

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Are the employers / service providers entitled to know who if their employees are vaccinated?

Country	Are the employers / service providers entitled to know who if their employees are vaccinated?
Czech Republic	YES
Estonia	YES
France	YES
France	NO
Germany	According to the Infection Protection Act, an exception applies to medical facilities such as hospitals, medical and dental practices or outpatient care services. In order to prevent infections and to avoid the spread of pathogens, employers of such a facility may inquire about

the willingness of their employees to vaccinate according to Section 23a IfSG and also make this the basis for their decision on the specific type of employment. This provision is compatible with Art. 9 Paragraph 2 Letter i) GDPR, according to which health data may be processed if the processing is based on reasons of public interest in the field of public health to ensure high quality and safety standards in health care Law of a Member State that provides appropriate and specific measures to safeguard the rights and freedoms of the data subject. This means that employers in medical institutions have the right to ask questions about the vaccination status 'of their employees, both in the recruitment process and in the ongoing employment relationship. As a result, employees must answer these questions truthfully.

Italy	YES
Italy	as we make the vaccination in the care homes, we know it
Italy	there is a special legal framework
Netherlands	NO
Norway	I don't know
Portugal	YES
Slovenia	YES
Spain	NO
Spain	Care homes directors arranged a previous consultation among the employees in order to know the staff members interested in vaccination and, so, be able to comunicate to health services the exact number of vaccinnes they had to bring in the day of the vaccination.
Sweden	NO
UK	YES

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Are there any special conditions or exceptions for vaccinated clients? (e.g. rules for visit, regular tests not requested,...)

Country	Are there any special conditions or exceptions for vaccinated clients? (e.g. rules for visit, regular tests not requested,...)
Czech Republic	No duty on regular testing for vaccinated clients, no quarantine for clients leaving nursing homes.
Estonia	NO
France	No
France	rules for visit, regular tests not requested
Germany	Not yet, but is already being discussed
Italy	Not yet
Italy	we are working on it
Italy	none, and for now no visits are allowed

Netherlands	The rules for visiting clients are less strict.
Norway	Currently, all in nursing homes are vaccinated (unless refusing to accept the vaccine). Nursing homes are therefore open for visits again
Portugal	None
Slovenia	Unvaccinated employees are tested once a week. Visitors are not tested and use personal protective equipment
Spain	Regular tests not requested
Spain	Yes, there has been more flexibility in regard to visits. Once the vaccination process was fully completed in nursing homes, family members, not necessarily vaccinates, have been able to visit their relatives in the residence.
Sweden	
UK	All residents are tested monthly and if showing any symptoms

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Are there any special conditions or exceptions for vaccinated staff in social services? (e.g. regular tests not requested,...)

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Czech Republic	No duty on regular testing for vaccinated staff
Estonia	NO
Estonia	Maybe more free movement, protection against disease, meeting with relatives, all human things...
France	No
France	regular tests not requested
Germany	Not yet, but is already being discussed
Italy	Not yet
Italy	we are working on it
Italy	not for now
Netherlands	Not yet. As long as there is no scientific evidence that a vaccinated person can not transfer the virus, we maintain the rules regarding PPE.
Norway	
Portugal	None
Slovenia	vaccinated employees are regularly tested six months after vaccination
Spain	Regular tests not requested
Spain	

Sweden

UK Vaccinated staff test weekly, non-vaccinated staff test daily

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Are there any special conditions or exceptions for vaccinated family members? (e.g. rules for visits in nursing home, regular tests not requested,...)

Country	Are there any special conditions or exceptions for vaccinated family members? (e.g. rules for visits in nursing home, regular tests not requested,...)
Czech Republic	No test on entry for visits in nursing homes.
Estonia	No
Estonia	Rules for visits in nursing home
France	No
France	rules for visits in nursing home, regular tests not requested
Germany	Not yet, but is already being discussed
Italy	Not yet
Italy	we are working on it
Italy	none, and for now no visits are allowed
Netherlands	See answer above
Norway	I have never heard of that.
Portugal	Family members have to follow the programmed order of priorities
Slovenia	regular tests for visits are not required
Spain	Regular tests not requested
Spain	Not really. Family members, not necessarily vaccinates, have been able to visit their relatives in the residence.
UK	None

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OTHER COMMENTS

Germany	<p>At the moment a lot of activities can be observed in Germany, the 16 federal states are very different in their respective strategies. The federal government will pass a fundamental law this week which will be mandatory for all federal states.</p> <p>The third wave has to be broken, the intensive care units in hospitals are increasingly occupied with younger patients. Currently about 700,000 people are vaccinated per day ...</p>
Spain	<p>The vaccination process was slow and lacked of coordination in some cases. For instance, some nursing homes directors referred that health services showed up without prior notice for vaccination, with the difficulties logistically and organization-wise that this implied</p>
Sweden	<p>Infection prevention and other measures aimed at managing and limiting the COVID-19 pandemic is chosen based on their effects and consequences, both individually and in combination with each other. Restrictive measures shall be proportionate to the effect. (The effects on health, quality of life and individual's right to privacy). However, many people's lives have been limited during the pandemic.</p> <p>A gradual return a more normal life is made possible as the vaccination of at-risk groups and the rest of the population is progressing.</p>
UK	<p>The vaccination programme in the Uk appears to mitigate against severe outcomes of COVID, but does not prevent An individual from catching or transmitting COVID to another person. Hence the importance of maintaining a lateral flow testing regime in conjunction with the vaccinations.</p>