

Hello there,

I have a learning disability. People with a learning disability are listed as a vulnerable or at risk by the new government guidelines.

Please would you let me in to the priority shopping hours so I can buy the food I need? I might need additional support with my shopping during busy periods. It would be good if you could ask your staff to look out for me.

Thank you

Guidance on social distancing for everyone in the UK (from Public Health England, updated March 23 2020)

We are advising those who are at increased risk of severe illness from coronavirus (COVID-19) to be particularly stringent in following social distancing measures.

This group includes those who are:

- aged 70 or older (regardless of medical conditions)
- under 70 with an underlying health condition listed below (ie anyone instructed to get a flu jab as an adult each year on medical grounds):
 - chronic (long-term) respiratory diseases, such as <u>asthma</u>, <u>chronic</u> <u>obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)</u>, emphysema or <u>bronchitis</u>
 - o chronic heart disease, such as heart failure
 - o chronic kidney disease
 - o chronic liver disease, such as hepatitis
 - chronic neurological conditions, such as <u>Parkinson's disease</u>, <u>motor</u> <u>neurone disease</u>, <u>multiple sclerosis (MS)</u>, <u>a learning disability</u> or cerebral palsy
 - diabetes
 - o problems with your spleen for example, <u>sickle cell</u> disease or if you have had your spleen removed
 - a weakened immune system as the result of conditions such as <u>HIV</u> and <u>AIDS</u>, or medicines such as <u>steroid tablets</u> or <u>chemotherapy</u>
 - being seriously overweight (a body mass index (BMI) of 40 or above)
- those who are pregnant