



Sele News



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SPECIAL EDITION – FLU VACCINATIONS

Eligibility

Everyone aged 50 and over is eligible for a flu vaccination.

In addition, those who have a chronic condition, who are pregnant, a carer or otherwise vulnerable, are also eligible.

However, we are calling patients in priority order.

Clinics

We will be holding our main largescale clinic, by appointment only, on **Saturday 25 September** and have contacted patients whom we have prioritised for this clinic.

We will take steps to ensure that the surgery is as safe as possible for everyone attending and will endeavour to ensure that waiting times are kept to a minimum. You can help us by attending at the right time and by following the one way system around the practice. Our staff will be available to guide you.

We will also offer vaccines opportunistically if you are attending the practice and we have vaccine available. The local pharmacies will also have stocks of vaccines.

If you have made an appointment with us but are then vaccinated elsewhere, please cancel your appointment so that we can free up that appointment for someone else.

Further clinics will be arranged to coincide with vaccine deliveries.

Feeling unwell?

If you have covid symptoms or are feeling unwell, please do not attend the practice. We will arrange another appointment for you.

Types of vaccine

At our mass clinics, we will be offering Fluad Tetra (Seqirus) to those aged 65 and over and a variety of vaccines for those under 65.

Children aged 2-17 will receive Fluenz Tetra (in separately designated clinics).

Generally, for adults under 65, we will be offering Quadrivalent Flu vaccine (Masta), Influvac (Viatris) or Flucelvax tetra (Seqirus).

How you can help

Vaccination is by appointment only and only those with an appointment should attend. We have scheduled the number of appointments available to match anticipated vaccine delivery.

Please use the available sanitizer on your hands as you enter our premises and wear a face covering unless you are exempt.

Please arrive as close to your appointment time as possible so that we can keep numbers of patients on the premises at safe levels.

Please bear in mind that you may have to wait outside until we are ready to vaccinate you.

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Our reception desk will not be in use but you can leave prescription requests in our mail box or in the box at the entrance.

Please keep a reasonable distance from those around you.

Please remove all outer garments when you are inside so that we can administer your vaccination into your upper arm.

You do not have to wait after your vaccination and can leave straight away.

All staff will be using appropriate PPE and will be sanitizing the workstations between each patient.

Booster covid vaccinations

At the time of writing, we are still waiting for decisions and further guidance about booster vaccinations.

It is unlikely, therefore, that we will be able to offer both vaccinations on 25 September.

Housebound and Care Homes

We will ensure that patients in care homes or who are housebound are vaccinated by our community nursing team. They work closely with the practice to ensure all those who want a vaccination are able to have one.