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Harambee Surgery

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Practice Newsletter

NHS Flu Vaccination Programme 2020/21

We are able to offer you under the NHS flu vaccination programme to the following groups.

If you fall into one of the groups then please ring the Surgery on 01282 868482 to make an appointment. If you are not sure ring the Surgery and one of our receptionists will be able to help you.

- ◆ People aged 65 or over including on 31 March 2021.
- ◆ Aged six months to less than 65 years of age, in a clinical at risk group such as patients with:
 - * Chronic long term respiratory disease such as severe asthma.
 - * Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or bronchitis.
 - * Chronic heart disease, such as heart failure.
 - * Chronic kidney disease at stage three, four or five.
 - * Chronic liver disease.
 - * Chronic neurological disease, such as Parkinson's disease or Motor Neurone disease.
 - * Learning disability.
 - * Diabetes.
 - * Splenic dysfunction or asplenia.
 - * A weakened immune system due to disease (such as HIV/AIDS) or treatment (such as cancer treatment).
 - * Morbidly obese (defined as BMI of 40 and above).
- ◆ diagnosed as pregnant.
- ◆ household contacts of an individual on the Shielded Patient List, or of immunocompromised individuals, specifically those who expect to share living accommodation with a shielded patient on most days over the winter and therefore for whom continue close contact is unavoidable.
- ◆ Living in long-stay residential care homes or other long-stay facilities where rapid spread is likely to following introduction of infection and cause high morbidity and mortality. This does NOT include for instance prisons, young offender institutions, university halls of residence, or boarding schools.
- ◆ In receipt of a carer's allowance or who are the main carer of an older or disabled person whose welfare may be at risk if the carer falls ill.

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- ◆ Health and social care staff employed by a registered residential care/nursing home or registered domiciliary care provider.
 - ◆ Health and care staff employed by a voluntary managed hospice provider.
 - ◆ Health and social care workers employed through Direct Payments and/or Personal Health Budgets (such as personal assistants) to deliver domiciliary care to patients and service users.

Children's flu vaccination programme

In 2020/21 children will be offered vaccination in general practice or through a schools provider as detailed below:-

All those aged two and three years old on 31 August 2020 (date of birth on or after 1 Sept 2016 and on or before 31 Aug 2018) will be offered vaccine in general practice.

All primary school children and Year 7 in secondary school (date of birth on or after 1 Sept 2008 and on or before 31 Aug 2016) will be offered through a school age immunisation service.

At risk children who are eligible for flu vaccination via the school-based programme because of their age will be offered immunisation at school. However could receive the vaccination here if the school session is late in the season, if parents prefer it or missed the session at school.

Seasonal Flu Vaccinations 2020/2021

**Please support us by having your reserved flu
vaccination here.**

Our campaign will begin September 2020.

**PLEASE RING THE SURGERY TO MAKE AN
APPOINTMENT .**

**We are also offering Saturday morning clinics—by
appointment only on the 10th and 17th of
OCTOBER.**

**IF YOU ARE UNSURE WHETHER YOU ARE
ELIGIBLE TO HAVE A FLU VACCINATION
CONTACT RECEPTION TEAM.**

Useful Information

**YOU MUST NOT ATTEND FOR YOUR FLU VACCINATION IF YOU HAVE
ANY SYMPTOMS OF COVID19. If you are not sure please RING the surgery
prior to your appointment to seek further advice..**

