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**Annual Flu Vaccination Programme 2020**

The risk of catching flu and possible resulting complications are known to be higher for people who are:

* Over 65yrs
* Under 65yrs who have certain medical conditions

Children are also offered the flu vaccine, as are a pregnant women and carers.

All of these people are therefore urged to accept the free annual vaccination at any of our special clinics, as set out below.

This year, all patients who are between 50-64years will also be eligible for a flu vaccine. Please note however that people in the 50-64-year old age group will not be vaccinated until November and December, providing there is sufficient vaccine, and no appointments will be offered for this age group until then. This is to ensure that those who are most at risk are vaccinated first.

Patients that are eligible for the vaccine will be sent a letter by the practice.

**YOU MUST BRING THIS LETTER WITH YOU**

 AS WE NEED THE SPECIAL BARCODE TO PROCESS YOUR VACCINATION.

**NO LETTER = NO VACCINATION !**

The format of the clinics this year is different due to the Pandemic and distancing regulations. We will be operating walk-in and drive-through clinics with no appointment needed but on a time-slot basis.

Please only attend one of the clinics listed below, which covers your age group as the vaccines are different for different age groups and the clinics have been arranged to coincide with the availability of the relevant vaccine.

Please attendonly during the times allocated to the first letter of your surname. This is to allow us to maintain social distancing and avoid premises becoming overcrowded. Also, please do not arrive significantly before 9.30am at any clinic, as there is a preceding slot reserved for very high-risk ‘shielders'.

When you attend, please wear a mask or face covering all the time and wear a short-sleeved top underneath your jacket.

Please be patient on the day as some queuing will be inevitable due to the need to maintain social distancing of 2 meters.

If you are housebound and unable to attend any of these flu clinics please telephone the reception team at your surgery and they will make alternative arrangements for you to receive your flu vaccine.

 **CLINICS/TIME SLOTS FOR OVER 65s**

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| **DATE** | **TIME** | **SURNAME** | **AGE GROUP** | **VENUE** |
| Friday 18th September 2020Walk-in Clinic | 09:30 - 11:00 | **A - D** | **Over 65s Only** | Pilsley Village Hall, Pear Tree Road, PilsleyS45 8HU  |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | **E - J** | **Over 65s Only** |
| 13:00 - 14:30 | **K - R** | **Over 65s Only** |
| 14:30 - 16:30 | **S - Z** | **Over 65s Only** |
| Saturday 19th September 2020Walk-in Clinic | 09:30 - 11:00 | **S - Z** | **Over 65s Only** | Staffa Health,Tibshelf Surgery, 3 Waverley StreetDE55 5PS |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | **K - R** | **Over 65s Only** |
| 13:00 - 14:30 | **E - J** | **Over 65s Only** |
| 14:30 - 16:30 | **A - D** | **Over 65s Only** |
| Wednesday 23rd September 2020Walk-in Clinic | 9:30 - 10:30 | **A - G** | **Over 65s Only** | St. Albans Centre, Heath Road, HolmewoodS42 5RB |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | **H – P** | **Over 65s Only** |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | **Q - Z** | **Over 65s Only** |
| Thursday 24th September 2020Walk-in Clinic | 09:30 - 11:30 | **S - Z** | **Over 65s Only** | Sports Pavilion, Behind the surgery, Birkinstyle Lane, StonebroomDE55 6PS |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | **K - R** | **Over 65s Only** |
| 12:30 - 13:30 | **E - J** | **Over 65s Only** |
| 13:30 - 14:30 | **A - D** | **Over 65s Only** |
| Wednesday 4th November 2020Walk-in Clinic | 9:30 - 10:30 | **A - G** | **Over 65s and Children only** | Sports Pavilion,Behind the surgery, Birkinstyle Lane,StonebroomDE55 6PS |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | **H – P** | **Over 65s and Children only** |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | **Q - Z** | **Over 65s and Children only** |

 **CLINICS/TIME SLOTS FOR UNDER 65s WITH PRE-EXISTING MEDICAL CONDITIONS**

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| **DATE** | **TIME** | **SURNAME** | **AGE GROUP** | **VENUE** |
| Saturday 10th October 2020 DRIVE THROUGH (in a car only, no pedestrians) | 09:00 – 10:00 | **A - G** | **Under 65s Only** | Tibshelf Community School Car Park, Doe Hill Lane, Tibshelf DE55 5LZ |
| 10:00 - 11:00 | **H – P** | **Under 65s Only** |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | **Q - Z** | **Under 65s Only** |
| Wednesday 21st October 2020Walk-in Clinic  | 09:30 - 11:00 | **S - Z** | **Under 65s Only** | Pilsley Village Hall, Pear Tree Road, PilsleyS45 8HU |
| 11:00 - 12:30 | **K - R** | **Under 65s Only** |
| 13:00 - 14:30 | **E - J** | **Under 65s Only** |
| 14:30 - 16:30 | **A - D** | **Under 65s Only** |

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| **The clinic on the 4th November is cancelled for patients Under 65years of age. The clinic on the 18th of November will run as normal.** |
| ~~Wednesday 4th November 2020~~~~Walk-in Clinic~~ | ~~9:30 - 10:30~~ | **~~A - G~~** | **~~Under 65s Only~~** | ~~Sports Pavilion,~~ ~~Behind the surgery, Birkinstyle Lane,~~ ~~Stonebroom~~~~DE55 6PS~~ |
| ~~10:30 - 11:30~~ | **~~H – P~~** | **~~Under 65s Only~~** |
| ~~11:30 - 12:30~~ | **~~Q - Z~~** | **~~Under 65s Only~~** |
| Wednesday 18th November 2020Walk-in Clinic | 9:30 - 10:30 | **A - G** | **Under 65s Only** | St. Albans Centre, Heath Road, HolmewoodS42 5RB |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | **H – P** | **Under 65s Only** |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | **Q - Z** | **Under 65s Only** |

**CLINICS/TIME SLOTS FOR PATIENTS WHO ARE AT HIGHEST RISK OF COVID-19**

If you are in the highest risk group for complications from Covid-19 and part of the population that was advised to 'shield' earlier in the year you will be sent a letter inviting you to special clinics that are only for highest risk patients. Whilst you are welcome to attend any of the age relevant clinics you should try to attend the early reserved time slot, while it is quieter and fewer patients will be in attendance. Your letter will tell you when those clinics are. Please ring reception if you need any further information.

**CHILDREN**

Children aged 2-3years are vaccinated by the practice. All other children will be vaccinated in school.

The dates clinics will be posted here and we will send text messages out with further details.

The next children’s clinic is as follows:

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| Wednesday 4th November 2020Walk-in Clinic | 9:30 - 10:30 | **A - G** | **Over 65s and Children only** | Sports Pavilion,Behind the surgery Birkinstyle Lane,StonebroomDE55 6PS |
| 10:30 - 11:30 | **H – P** | **Over 65s and Children only** |
| 11:30 - 12:30 | **Q - Z** | **Over 65s and Children only** |

**PATIENTS WHO ARE AGED 50-64 YEARS**

Please note that people in the 50-64-year old age group will not be vaccinated until November and December, providing there is sufficient vaccine, and no appointments will be offered for this age group until then. This is to ensure that those who are most at risk are vaccinated first.  If you are 50-64 and you are in one of the other groups which is eligible for the flu vaccination, for example you have a health condition which puts you at risk from the flu, you will be invited earlier.

The dates of the later clinics for those aged 50-64 will be posted here in due course.