# **Scott Park Surgery**

# **Patient Participation Group Newsletter September 2024**

### Flu Vaccination:

Adult flu jab clinics are available to book now.

If you are in any of the eligibility groups below, please book online or ring the Surgery on 01702 420642 to book your flu vaccination.

Please support Scott Park Surgery by keeping your booked flu appointment with us.

Eligible patients aged 16+ who have on-line access can book their flu vac appointment on-line, but anyone who has booked their flu vac appointment and is not in any of the eligible cohorts will have their appointment cancelled without notice; unless we have your consent to send you text messages.

**Who is eligible?** The following are eligible for an NHS vaccine in 2024 to 2025:

### From 1 September:

- pregnant women
- all children aged 2 or 3 years old (on 31 August 2024)
- all children in clinical risk groups aged from 6 months to less than 18 years

#### From 3 October 2024:

- those aged 65 years and over
- those aged 18 to under 65 years in clinical risk groups as those below:
  - respiratory disease, such as asthma (requires continuous or repeated use of inhaled or systemic steroids or with previous exacerbations requiring hospital admission), chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or bronchitis
  - o chronic neurological disease, such as Parkinson's disease or motor neurone disease
  - 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)
  - chronic heart disease, such as heart failure
  - chronic kidney disease at stage 3, 4 or 5
  - chronic liver disease
  - a learning disability
  - diabetes and adrenal insufficiency
  - o splenic dysfunction or asplenia
- those living in long-stay residential care homes or nursing homes, other long-stay health or social care facilities or a house-bound patient
- carers in receipt of carer's allowance, or those who are the main carer of an elderly or disabled person
- close contacts of immunocompromised individuals
- frontline staff employed by the types of social care providers **without employer-led** occupational health schemes such as :
  - o registered domiciliary care provider
  - direct payment (personal budgets) and/or personal health budgets, such as personal assistants

- o a registered residential care/nursing home
- a voluntary managed hospice provider
- those living in long-stay residential care homes or nursing homes, other long-stay health or social care facilities or a house-bound patient

# On the day of your flu appointment:

If you or any members of your household has flu-like symptoms or been in contact with someone who has COVID sympstoms, please cancel your flu appointment and rebook.

# On arrival of your flu appointment:

Please remove any outer garments and come into the surgery, your flu appointment will take place in Consulting Room 3.

Please use the automatic hand sanitizer station provided upon arrival and again before leaving the building. Please exit via the back door at the end of the corridor.

Thank you for your co-operation.