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## Spring COVID booster vaccination

From May 9th, a Spring COVID vaccination booster will be available to:

- People who are aged 75 and over
- Patients who are immunosuppressed

We will be holding vaccination clinics at The Practice. We will start contacting our eligible patients by text or telephone to arrange an appointment starting at the end of April, with those at highest risk being called in first.

## Bank Holiday Closures

The Practice will be closed during the following Bank Holiday dates:

- 6th May - Early May Bank Holiday
- 27th May - Spring Bank Holiday

## STAFF UPDATE

We would like to welcome Dr Bhatti and Dr Pundal who have joined the GPs for 3 months.

Available for pre-bookable and on-the-day appointments.  
Welcome!

## NHS APP DIGITAL PRESCRIPTIONS

As of 30th January 2024, patients in England can use the NHS App to view all their prescription details, order repeat prescriptions, and generate a barcode that can be shown to a pharmacy for collection without a paper prescription from their GP.

This will positively impact on general practice workload as each repeat prescription ordered electronically saves GP practices three minutes of time, with those ordered using the app expected to save the equivalent of 1.85 million hours in 2024.

## MEASLES OUTBREAK

We are seeing an increase in measles in Birmingham and Solihull. Please be aware of measles symptoms including:

- high temperature
- runny or blocked nose
- sneezing
- a cough
- red, sore, watery eyes

Children will be automatically invited at 12 months and 3 years and 4 months - there has been no guidance issues on vaccinating children early.

If you suspect you or your child has measles, please phone us urgently - **do not** attend the surgery until instructed to do so.

## SURGERY OPENING

MON	8:30-12:30 13:30-18:00
TUES	8:30-12:30 13:30-18:00
WED	8:30-12:30
THURS	8:30-12:30 13:30-18:00
FRI	8:30-12:30 13:30-18:00