

**Patient Participation Group Newsletter October 2018**

**1. Flu Vaccination**

- i. Children who are aged 2, 3 and 4 years old on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 - Children in this age group are entitled to the intranasal flu vaccination administered as a 'puffer' up the nose or as an injection if contraindicated.

Please contact the surgery to book the appointment with the nurse if your child still not had it yet.

- ii. Adults - Flu vaccinations are now available to book for patients aged 65 and over, and also for other age groups in the 'at risk' categories including Care workers, carers, pregnant ladies or those morbidly obese.
- iii. Patients who have on-line access can book their flu appointments on-line but anyone who has booked their flu appointment and are not in any of the eligible categories will have their appointment cancelled without notice; unless you have given us consent to send you SMS messages.

**2. Shingles Vaccinations**

If you have not had a shingles vaccination but are in your seventies, please contact the surgery to see if you are eligible for it.

**3. DNA Appointments**

Please can patients who are unable to attend their arranged appointment to contact the surgery to cancel the appointment. This would free up an appointment for other patients that need one.