NHS Flu Season 2021/22

21/22 flu season – weekly round up

Flu vaccinations for Pharmacy Staff (and other NHS primary care providers – dental, optical) The Service Specification has been updated to include these groups in the frontline health and social care worker category. Any vaccinations already given by pharmacy to pharmacy staff can be claimed for as an NHS provision.

For more information please read the <u>news article here</u>.

Collaborative working with hospital outpatient clinics

This year patients accessing some outpatient clinics will be given a flu card (below) directing them to have a flu vaccine in a pharmacy. These patients will all have a chronic condition making them eligible e.g. chronic liver disease or chronic kidney disease. We are trialling the cards this year to hopefully improve uptake in hard-to-reach unrepresented groups. If a patient presents with a card but is still unsure on eligibility – ask them what clinic they attended. A supporting poster pharmacies can print and display has also been made available:

- <u>A3 poster</u>
- <u>A4 poster</u>



