

# COVENTRY ROAD PRACTICE NEWSLETTER - March 2023



**Practice Website: [www.coventryroadpractice.co.uk](http://www.coventryroadpractice.co.uk)**

## **Spring Boosters**

Spring COVID boosters are on their way.

Our fantastic service will once again be running from Chelmsley Wood Primary Care Centre, and the staff are ready and willing to get back in there and start jabbing! The eligible groups this time are:

Adults aged 75 years and over by 30th June 2023

Residents in a care home for older adults

Individuals aged 5 years and over who are immunosuppressed

The vaccination team will be going to eligible housebound patients, care homes.

If you have any problems with your appointment please contact: [NSC.clinic@nhs.net](mailto:NSC.clinic@nhs.net).

## **New Member of Staff**

We would like to welcome Dayna to the team. Dayna is our new receptionist and will be trained to take over the Healthcare Assistant role.

## **Pharmacy Service**

The Practice is working alongside Hingleys Pharmacy and Manor Pharmacy to help with minor ailments. If you call the surgery with a minor ailment, reception will send a referral to the pharmacy and you will receive a phone call within a couple of hours with advice or a prescription.

We do hope this will help with access.

## Extended Access out of Surgery Hours

The Practice offers extended access out of surgery hours appointments to our patients; particularly those patients who work late. These clinics are held at Chelmsley Wood Hub. The appointments are available on Monday to Friday evenings from 6.30pm-8pm and Saturday 9am-5pm.

Again, this is to help improve access.

## Walk-in Blood Tests

The Primary Care Network Hub at Chelmsley Wood are now offering a walk-in phlebotomy service. The clinics will be held on a Saturday morning.

Patients cannot turn up to the clinic without a form from their GP. You will need to speak to reception in order to request a form.

## Tea Party

Here at Coventry Road Practice we hold a 'tea party' fortnightly. If you would like to meet new people and have a cup of tea and some cake, please contact reception for more details.

## Facebook

As you may be aware the Practice uses Facebook to promote services and it includes useful information regarding healthcare.

If you have any thoughts the Practice would be grateful for your input. You can follow us on:

<https://www.facebook.com/coventryrdpractice/>

## A Warm Welcome

If you are struggling to afford food or heating. Solihull Christian Fellowship Church in Shirley provides help and support for free and it also offers a free lunch on Wednesdays. Please see link below for further information.

<https://www.warmwelcome.uk/>

## The Shingles Vaccine

The shingles vaccine schedule is due to change later in the year to include vulnerable and younger people, and to encourage 70-80 year old patients to get vaccinated ASAP.

Please ask at reception for more information.

**Coventry Road Practice would like to wish all our patients a Happy Easter**

