

COVID VACCINATION PROGRAMME 21st January 2021

PATIENT UPDATE

Our GP Federation, SDHC, is delivering the vaccination programme on behalf of the Practice. They are currently working through the Governments national priority list of people who need to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. As of today, over 60% of over 80 year olds have received a vaccination. By the end of today, 21st January 2021, SDHC will have attempted to contact all patients on the list at least once. If patients who are over the age of 80 have not heard from SDHC by Thursday 21st of January, an appointment letter will be sent to them. The letter will detail their appointment date and time. This should arrive by Friday 22nd and the appointments will be from Sunday 23rd onwards.

Following patient feedback, appointments will be offered between 10.00 and 15.00. The aim is to complete the first vaccination for the vast majority of over 80 vaccinations by Saturday 30th January. At the same time that the over 80's are being called, the Government has also asked that other groups are prioritised for vaccinations. These include health and social care workers, care home residents and staff.

You are probably also aware that the Government has also asked that people over 70 and the extremely clinically vulnerable start being called for vaccinations. We continue to prioritise the over 80s before moving onto the next group of patients. Please be assured that we are vaccinating people as fast as we can, in line with government priorities and within the limited supply of vaccines we have received to date.

You will be hearing from SDHC very soon. **Please don't contact your Practice about the Covid vaccination programme.**