

Peaslake Surgery Newsletter Autumn 2011

Flu Vaccine

The flu vaccine will be available from the beginning of October. If you are over 65, asthmatic or another at risk group, a carer, health care staff or poultry worker please make an appointment at the surgery from the beginning of October for a vaccine. If you wish to be considered for a vaccine please contact one of the receptionists who will check with Dr. Keown to find out if you are eligible.

Asthmatics

Meanwhile as autumn approaches, it is particularly advisable for asthmatics to ensure that their inhalers are within the correct expiry date and that they have attended the asthma clinic (held on Thursday evenings) within the last 6 months in order that their medication can be reviewed. **It is especially important for asthmatics to have the seasonal flu vaccine which will be available from the beginning of October.**

Christmas Opening Hours

Thoughts of Christmas may be very far from your mind at the moment but at the Surgery we like to plan ahead. The Surgery will be shut for Christmas and the New Year on Monday 26th and Tuesday 27th December and Monday 2nd January.

Please ensure that all repeat medication is ordered by **Wednesday 14th December** so that it can be collected before the Christmas break.

Adverse weather arrangements

If there is a recurrence of the bad weather that we have experienced over the past two winters and you are anxious about collecting your medication please phone us at the surgery on **01306 730875**. We will then enlist the help of our band of noble volunteers with all weather vehicles to ensure that your medication is delivered to you.

Prescription Pre Payment

Did you know that if you need more than 3 prescription items in 3 months or 14 in 12 months you could save money by buying a prescription pre-payment certificate for either 3 months or 12 months. Just ask one of the receptionists for the pre-payment form.

Practice Profile – Anne Anderson (nee Newman), Receptionist

Anne has been working at the surgery for the past six years and as many of you know has recently remarried and is now living on Albury Heath. She is at the surgery on Monday and Friday mornings. Anne's special area of responsibility is the elderly and their carers.