



Dear Patient

We are all excited to hear about the progress of the rolling out of the Covid vaccine and look forward to this improving the quality of life for all of us.

We know that you, like us, are struggling with the confines imposed upon us all due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Everyone is trying to make the best of the situation and, as a practice, we are committed to caring for you in the best possible way whilst keeping both you and our team safe.

To keep you as informed as possible, we will update these messages frequently as we become aware of more information from NHS England:

- There are now two vaccines available to protect patients – the Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine and the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine
- Another vaccine (from Moderna) has been licenced and will be available later on in 2021
- We have made a good start to vaccinating our most vulnerable patients and will be continuing to contact patients, in priority order, each week. We will vaccinate as many patients as we can, as quickly as we can, depending on vaccine supply.
- **Please do not contact the surgery, nor the hospital, to seek a vaccine, we will contact you as soon as the NHS has instructed us to**
- The Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) have emphasised that it is best for patients to get their second dose 12 weeks after their first vaccine. There is a high level of protection afforded by the first dose.
- By vaccinating a greater number of people with a single dose, more deaths and hospitalisations will be prevented.
- With the current rapid increase in Covid-19 cases it is even more important to:
  - ✓ wash your hands
  - ✓ wear a face mask as advised
  - ✓ keep 2 metres apart

Thank you for your patience

Jubilee Field Surgery

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