Opted In GP Practices

yes, it's that time of the year (again)

WINTER VACCINATION CAMPAIGN

This communication has been sent to all GP Practices that are opted in to deliver the winter vaccination programme.

Useful Information

The winter vaccination campaign runs 1 October 2026 – 31 March 2027

Your GP practice offers flu, COVID-19 and RSV vaccinations to eligible patients.

You can get the free **NHS flu vaccine** if you:
- are aged 65 or over (including those who will be 65 by 31 March 2027)
- are aged 18 to 64 and have certain long-term health conditions
- are pregnant
- live in a care home
- are the main carer for an older or disabled person, or receive a carer's allowance
- live with someone who has a weakened immune system
- are experiencing homelessness or staying in a homeless hostel or night shelter

Frontline health and social care workers can also get a flu vaccine through their employer.

You can get the free **NHS COVID-19 vaccine** if you:
- are aged 75 or over,
- are immunosuppressed
- are living in an older adult care home

You can get a free **NHS RSV vaccination** if:
- you're 28 weeks pregnant or more
- you're aged 75 or over
- you're aged 65 to 74 and have a weakened immune system or have a long-term lung condition
- you live in a care home for older adults

For Housebound Patient Enquiries

Please confirm with patients that...

All patients registered as housebound will be contacted before 31 December 2026.

If you, or someone you know, is registered as housebound, you do not need to do anything. One of the team will be in touch to offer the vaccinations you are eligible for at home. Visits may not be at the start of the campaign, but you will be contacted before 31 December 2026.

Please do not worry if you receive an email reminder from NHS England, this does not mean you have been missed. Your vaccination will be arranged by **your GP Practice**. Thank you for your patience.

If you would like to confirm that you are recorded as housebound and that we have the correct contact details, our staff can check this for you.

Keep Strong this Winter