

#### **Flu Season Approaches**

Flu Clinics: The Practice is offering Flu Clinics for patients eligible for free vaccinations under the NHS on the following dates:

Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Much Wenlock Medical Practice	6-8 pm
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Cressage Medical Practice	2 – 5 pm
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Much Wenlock Medical Practice	6 – 8 pm
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Much Wenlock Medical Practice	2 – 5 pm
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	Cressage Practice	9 am – 12 noon

**Patients eligible for free vaccinations are:** anyone over the age of 65, pregnant women, people with an underlying health condition, in particular long-term heart disease, respiratory disease, diabetes and people with weakened immune system.

If you're in one of these risk groups, you are more likely to develop potentially serious complications of flu, such as pneumonia, so it is worth having a flu jab every year to protect you.

Please contact the Practice to book your appointment. If you are unsure whether you are eligible for a vaccination please ask.

Children aged 6 months to 2 years who are in an at risk group and children aged 2 – 4 will be invited to attend specific clinics to receive a nasal spray\* vaccine

.\*unless not medically appropriate

## Patient Online Access

### Reminder to patients.....

To register for Patient Online Access where patients can:-

- Book routine Doctors' appointments
- Book a blood test appointment (only if advised by a GP or Nurse to do so)
- Order repeat medication
- View a summary of your medical records, including immunisation history.

To register for online services please see our website:www.muchwenlockandcressagemp.co.uk or ask reception.

#### Do we have your up-to-date contact details?

We are currently in the process of updating patient contact details.

When you next visit the Practice, please take 5 minutes to complete a Contact Details Form.

#### **Clinical Staff Update**

Dr Philippa Hayward will be joining the Practice in August for a year as a Registrar.

Dr Livesey will be returning from maternity leave on the 11<sup>th</sup> of August 2016. She will be in Practice on a Thursday and Friday.

The Practice will be hosting a 5<sup>th</sup> year medical student from September 2016 for 15 weeks.

# Much Wenlock & Cressage Medical Practice

## Accessible Information Standard

As from 31<sup>st</sup> of July 2016 Much Wenlock & Cressage Medical Practice must comply with the Accessible Information Standard as set out by the Health and Social Care Act.

The Standard is intended to benefit patients who have information and/or communication needs relating to a disability or sensory loss. This includes people with the following conditions:

- D/Deaf
- Blind
- Deafblind
- Learning disability
- Autism
- Dementia
- Hearing and/or visual loss
- Communication difficulties following a stroke aphasia or brain injury

The Standard includes support for patients and service users, and for their parents and carers.

It also includes people with other disabilities which affect their ability to communicate or access information, and people who have multiple disabilities, for example, hearing loss and a learning disability.

To enable us to meet this Standard we have included a question on our Contact Details Form which will be available for patients to download from the Practice website: <u>www.muchwenlockandcressagemp.co.uk</u> or via reception.