# **Cricklade Surgery Newsletter**



#### Dates for your diary – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October and Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2024

We will be running flu clinics on the above dates this year here at Cricklade Surgery, so please make a note in your diary. The flu vaccine is offered to patients aged over 65, pregnant patients, carers, and those patients with specific long-term conditions. We will be contacting the eligible patients soon to book your appointment.

ALSO, A REMINDER THAT THE CLOCKS GO BACK ONE HOUR ON SUNDAY THE 27<sup>TH</sup> OF OCTOBER 2024

## Dr de Silva

Dr de Silva is making good progress after his recent illness and will be back at work as soon as his health allows. Dr de Silva would like to thank everyone for their messages of goodwill and cards sent through Juliet

#### **ONLINE REGISTRATIONS**

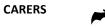
Our surgery can now offer online registration for new patients wishing to register. They can either visit our website and click on new patients' tab or use the address below to start the registration process.

#### https://gp-registration.nhs.uk/J83609





# CARERS AND YOUNG CARERS



Do you look after someone who is ill, frail, disabled or mentally ill? If so, you are a carer.

We are interested in identifying carers, especially those people who may be caring without help or support.

We support Young Carers – Do you know anyone or are you under the age of 18 caring for any of the above?

Please contact Reception to register as a carer or a young carer.

#### PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

As a surgery we appreciate any feedback, and we ask for this in so many ways.

One way is in form of a group!

If you were to be a part of this, you would receive this newsletter along with a small questionnaire a couple of times a year.

We would like to hear from our patients in and around Cricklade.

Please call Reception to sign up today!

#### **RSV VACCINATION**

From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024, we will be rolling out the RSV vaccination programme. RSV is a major cause of respiratory illness, particularly dangerous for infants and the elderly. All adults will be eligible for the routine programme as they turn 75 years of age and will be offered a single dose of the RSV vaccine. We will be sending invitations to those patients as they become eligible. A one-off catch-up campaign for those already aged 75 to 79 years old on 1 September 2024 will be undertaken at the earliest opportunity.



### CANCELLATION OF APPOINTMENTS



Over the last few months, there has been a considerable increase in cancelled appointments at short notice. In June we had 17 patients that did not turn up, in July we had 18 and 25 in August.

Please make every effort to attend all appointments as we are unable to offer those to other patients.

If you do need to cancel an appointment, please give 24 hours' notice.