March 202 - Surgery Newsletter



Mask Wearing

In order to help us keep both our patients and staff safe we are still asking that anyone coming into the Surgery continues to wear a mask. Your help with this is very much appreciated.

Covid-19 Vaccinations

Covid-19 vaccinations can still be booked either on-line via the NHS National Booking Service or by telephoning 119.

Travelling Abroad

Now that things are opening up and people are starting to travel abroad again if patients need their Covid passport for travel this can be accessed by downloading the NHS app. Further details are available regarding the Covid passport at www.nhs.uk including how you can obtain a paper copy if you are unable to download the NHS app.

For patients who need to check whether their vaccinations are up-to-date for travel purposes there is a form on the Great Bentley Surgery website called 'Travel Risk Assessment'. This can be completed and submitted via the website. For patients that do not have access to the Surgery website there is a paper form which can be collected from reception.

Repeat Prescriptions

In order to help our Prescription Clerks manage their ever increasing workload it would be very helpful if patients could ensure they put in their requests for medication at least three working days before they require this. We are happy to accept prescription requests seven to ten days before this is required to ensure there isn't a delay in patients receiving their medication. After allowing three working days for your prescription to be issued you can contact your nominated Pharmacy who will be able to confirm if your medication is ready to collect.

Surgery Training Afternoon

Along with all other surgeries in the area we will be shut from 12 noon on Wednesday, 23 March 2021 for staff training.

Patient Participation Group Meetings

The next meeting of the Patient Participation Group will be held on Thursday, 17 March 2022 at 6.30 pm at Great Bentley Village Hall.

Sue Mitson – Operations Manager