



THE WILSON PRACTICE

Patient update 13 April 2021

VACCINATION NEWS

As of 12 April **8,074 (66.3%)** Wilson Practice patients have had at least their first Coronavirus vaccination; 1101 have now had two. In addition to the 93%+ of patients aged 50 years and upwards who have received at least one vaccination, more than one in five (22.3%) patients aged 18 – 49 years with no underlying health conditions have now also had their first jab. To date just 52 patients have declined the opportunity to be vaccinated.

ABOUT VACCINATION APPOINTMENTS

- **Patients who are due their second vaccination (11-12 weeks after first)**
 - if you had your **first vaccination at the Hampshire Court Hotel** in Chineham in February or early March, there is a table below showing when your second appointment will be, and advice on what to do
 - if you had your **first vaccination at one of the nationally co-ordinated centres**, you should have booked your second vaccination at the same time as your first. If you haven't or if you need to change your appointment contact the booking service online via: www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination or by calling 119.
- **Patients who are aged 50 years or over** (or any adult with an underlying health condition deemed to increase the risk of complications from a Covid-19 infection) **who has not yet had their first vaccination** should contact the local hub at Chineham on 0333 332 0855 or the national booking service on the details above.

Rare side-effects with the AstraZeneca (AZ) vaccine

Further to the news that the Government's vaccine specialists have advised that patients aged 30 or younger should be offered an alternative to the AZ vaccine, if one is available at the time the vaccination is due, we would like to:

- **reassure patients** that the risks identified are very, very small compared to the risks associated with contracting Covid-19.
- **urge the majority of patients** who have had a first dose of the AstraZeneca vaccine to attend for their second vaccination when this is due. This will boost your protection against Covid-19.
- **the exceptions are:**
 - patients with a history or family background of:
 - blood-clotting problems
 - low platelet count following anti-coagulation treatment and
 - patients who have experienced a serious arterial or venous thrombosis after their first dose of any coronavirus vaccine.

This small number of people should not receive the AZ vaccine as their second dose.

We understand that this news, and the different decisions taken across the world, has caused concern and it is of course distressing to hear of the 19 people in the UK who have died, apparently as a consequence of the extremely rare clotting side effect. This is the first time that a mass vaccination programme has benefitted from such swift, co-ordinated feedback and it is positive that these new guidelines have been introduced so quickly. It is important to bear in mind that over 37 million people in the UK have now received their first vaccine dose and Public Health England (PHE) estimates that at least 6,000 deaths have been prevented by the vaccination programme in the first three months of 2021.

Attached to this update is the PHE advisory leaflet about this new development, including details of the side effects that indicate that patients should seek medical assistance.

Please (continue to) take care

The vaccination programme is giving us all real hope of a return to some more 'normal' activities, but **HANDS ~ FACE ~ SPACE and FRESH AIR** is a really sensible motto to live by.

Second dose dates at the Hampshire Court Hotel, Chineham

- The North Hampshire Local Vaccination Centre at the Hampshire Court Hotel, Chineham has now delivered more than 80,000 doses of vaccine. The success of this programme has been driven by the support of our communities, our volunteers, our health staff and our patients.
- We are looking forward to seeing many patients back for their second dose shortly.
- Below is a list of February and early March first dose dates which shows when patients who received their vaccination at the Hampshire Court Hotel will be booked for their second dose.
- If this applies to you, your appointment will be at the **same time** as your first dose.
- Please do not turn up at any other time as we cannot guarantee you a vaccine.
- If you have **forgotten your time or wish to check your date**, please **call us on 0333 332 0855** and our team will be happy to help
- If you are over 50, or with an underlying health condition and you haven't already had your first vaccination, we can book you in: please **call us on 0333 332 0855**.
- Vaccines are helping to keep us all safe.

My 1 st Dose was on	My 2 nd dose date is:
02-Feb	20-Apr
03-Feb	21-Apr
04-Feb	22-Apr
05-Feb	23-Apr
06-Feb	24-Apr
07-Feb	25-Apr
08-Feb	26-Apr
09-Feb	27-Apr
10-Feb	28-Apr
11-Feb	29-Apr
12-Feb	30-Apr
13-Feb	01-May
14-Feb	02-May
15-Feb	03-May
16-Feb	04-May
17-Feb	05-May
18-Feb	06-May
19-Feb	07-May
20-Feb	08-May
21-Feb	No Clinic Done
22-Feb	10-May
23-Feb	11-May
24-Feb	12-May
25-Feb	No Clinic Done
26-Feb	14-May
27-Feb	15-May
28-Feb	No Clinic Done
01-Mar	No Clinic Done
02-Mar	No Clinic Done
03-Mar	19-May
04-Mar	20-May
05-Mar	21-May
06-Mar	22-May

