

COVID 19 –update as at 28th January 2021

Care Homes

We have **vaccinated ALL residents and staff** in our **aligned Care Homes**, (ie Clifton Court, Heathcotes (Gerard Rd), Laureate Court, Rotherview & The Mews), except for any that declined.

The D Nursing team will vaccinate any ‘new residents’

Residents and staff at **other Care Homes** should be vaccinated by the ‘aligned’ practice for that home

Housebound

The list of all our patients with a record of housebound, (or who subsequently told Rotherham booking team that they were), has been **given to the District Nursing Team**

Their staff are now working through the lists of housebound patients, so **they will be getting in touch** to arrange vaccination

They had to wait for the Astra Zenica/ Oxford vaccine so could not start until this was received in January – they are getting further supplies this week and have increased the numbers of staff vaccinating

– hopefully ALL housebound patients will have their 1st vaccination in the next few weeks

The message for patients is

PLEASE BE PATIENT; THE DISTRICT NURSING TEAM WILL BE CONTACTING YOU

Central Booking (Rotherham CCG/ Federation)

We have run lists of all our patients **aged 70 & over**, (inc any outstanding 75+ patients except for those in Care Homes or who are housebound), and **clinically vulnerable**, and sent it to the Central Booking scheme.

They will contact patients and arrange an appointment at one of the ROTHERHAM Hubs, (ie Oak House, Rawmarsh, St Anns LEISURE Centre (not Medical Centre) or Wath)

National Booking

They are sending letters out to patients, which tells them to ring 119.

Their Booking Team will then make an appointment at 1 of their sites, (could be Arena or elsewhere within 1hour’s drive).

If you don’t want this (or to travel to one of their sites) then wait for your invite from Rotherham’s Central Booking service

Booking scams

Please disregard any ‘invites’ if they request your bank details. THIS IS A SCAM

The **NHS will NEVER ask for your bank details etc**

2nd vaccine

The IT system has details of everyone’s 1st vaccine and it will be used to recall patients for their 2nd vaccine, (based upon national guidelines/ vaccine availability etc)

What are we as a practice doing?

We, (with the 2 other practices in our PCN), are **organizing the Wath COVID site**, ie receiving details of the vaccines/consumables etc, arranging site availability & staff rotas/ availability dependent upon the nos of vaccines being received

Running and sending lists of patients, (based on the cohorts to be called), to the Rotherham Booking Service

Staffing the Rotherham Hubs, (including at weekends), whilst seeking to maintain provision of our 'normal' services

By the end of 27th Jan **OVER 10%** of our patients, (ie **1306**), had **received their 1st vaccine**

We hope that you appreciate all the efforts of our practice and it's team, (as well as the numerous volunteers who are helping us), in order to get as many people as possible vaccinated in accordance with the government guidance