

# BCP – Patient Advisory Group News Letter

July 2019



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## BOLTON COMMUNITY PRACTICE PATIENT ADVISORY GROUP (PAG)



The next meeting of the PAG will take place on **Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> July** at Waters Meeting Health Centre, commencing at 2.30 pm.

## Immunisations now Available

### MeningitisACWY

Patients eligible for this vaccine are:

- Students attending University or Further Education College
- Anyone aged 19 on 31 August 2019
- Patients under the age of 25 between the 1 Apr 2019 - 31 Mar 2020.

Note:

Patients eligible from August 2015 remain eligible up to their 25<sup>th</sup> Birthday

### Shingles

Any patient aged 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 78 or 79 is eligible for this vaccine.

### Pertussis Vaccine for Pregnant Women

Patients who are pregnant, and ideally between 20-32 weeks pregnant, may be vaccinated up to two months after the birth of the baby to reduce the risk of Pertussis in the post-partum period.

### Measles, Mumps & Rubella (MMR)

Any adults and children who are **not immune**, because they missed one or all MMR doses when they were younger, can have the MMR vaccine on the NHS at any age. This may include:

- Teenagers
- Adults
- People travelling
- Women preparing for pregnancy
- People exposed to measles during a measles outbreak

### SMS Messages,

BCP have been sending SMS messages to patients to assist in updating their records. Please take the time to reply and help update your patient record.

**Note: All replies are returned via a secure connection and only practice staff have access to this data.**

## Feedback

BCP welcomes feedback on all aspects of the service so please use all the channels open to you to pass on your comments, whether they are complimentary, or not.

They are:

- The suggestion boxes and Talk-Back boards in each of the surgeries
- <http://www.boltoncommunitypractice.nhs.uk/new-patients.aspx?t=7>
- <http://www.boltoncommunitypractice.nhs.uk/info.aspx?p=19>
- <http://bcpcicpag.co.uk/#/feedback/4561257732>

The best way to improve the services offered by BCP is for you, the patients, to use these communication channels.

## Bolton Community Practice - Website Survey

You could also have a say in any future improvements to the Practice website by completing the Website Survey which will be available from all the surgeries during July. You can also complete the survey online if you wish at:

<http://www.boltoncommunitypractice.nhs.uk/>

Your views are important to both BCP and to the Patient Advisory Group.