NHS Flu Season 2021/22

21/22 flu season - Service Specification

NHS England have published the <u>service specification</u> for this year. Some key points to note:

- Eligible patients should be vaccinated as soon as the vaccine is available.
- Notification of the vaccination needs to be sent to the patient's GP practice on the same day the vaccine is administered or on the following working day (PharmOutcomes provides same day delivery).
 - We know from last year, occasionally you may need to resave the record to send this occurred due to the high volume using PharmOutcomes at the same time.
- Vaccinations can be offered in any area of the pharmacy where suitable facilities are available and patient confidentiality is able to be respected.
- Vaccinations can also be undertaken in other suitable locations, such as in the patient's home, care home, a long-stay residential facility or community venues (e.g. community centres, car parks, marquees).
- Remember to update your DoS to show you provide NHS flu vaccinations.
- The service fee will £9.58 this will be published in the September Drug Tariff
- The PGD is going through the final sign-off process at Public Health England.
 - The PGD will be able to be used by an appropriately trained practitioner. This will allow you to use other healthcare professions listed in the PGD to provide the service under pharmacist supervision.

