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Dear Patient

Covid Vaccinations

All patients who wish to receive a Covid vaccination will receive one in due course. This may be the Pfizer BioNTech vaccination or another vaccination as they become available. Due to MHRA updated guidelines we are only in the position to vaccinate patients who do not have a recording of an adverse or allergic reaction in their medical records.

We appreciate that this is upsetting to some patients who are keen to have the vaccination and have not been called – Please be assured that as soon as guidelines and supply of vaccine allow us you will be contacted.

Our PCN is one of the first to deliver the Pfizer BioNTech vaccine in the country. We have limited stock of this vaccination however we are expecting further deliveries in the New Year. Our first priority is to ensure the safe delivery of the vaccination programme which means that we have made difficult decisions to ensure keeping our patients safe.

Members of our administrative team are conveying this message to our patients and we would ask that you please treat them respectfully in your conversations with them.

NHS England has requested that patients do not contact practices to book the vaccination and we would ask you to adhere to this request as currently this is blocking phone lines for patient needing our care. There is no further vaccine available at this time as all appointments for the vaccination have been booked.

We appreciate your patience and understanding – Thank you.

The Chalfonts PCN