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Dear Patient

We are writing to invite you to make an appointment for the 2020 **Flu Fayre**, which will be held as follows:

VENUE: Retford Primary Care Centre

The Influenza (Flu) vaccine is an important part of your health care. The Flu virus slowly changes over time and this is why we need to update the vaccine each year. Having the vaccine will not stop you from catching a cold, but it may prevent you from contracting a severe and potentially life threatening flu infection. The vaccine **cannot** give you the flu in itself as it does not actually contain any living flu virus. Some people feel slightly achy afterwards but this is simply a sign that their immune system is reacting to the vaccine and building up its defences.

This winter it is even more important to protect yourself against Influenza, with COVID-19 also circulating in the community it is therefore essential that vulnerable groups are vaccinated to prevent further complications. We strongly recommend you take up the opportunity of an Influenza vaccination. If you would like to discuss any issues, please speak to your Usual Doctor.

Please contact us on the usual number, 01777 703672 to make an appointment. **Where possible please contact the Surgery after 2pm to avoid our busiest times.**

For the safety of our patients & staff this year's flu fayre will be a challenging time for all involved & will be very different to previous years. Strict social distancing measures will be in place which must be adhered to.

Please present to the front door of the Primary Care Centre & join the queue but ensuring you remain 2 metres apart. Please do not attend for your appointment before your allocated time. Please wear a short sleeved shirt or blouse & be ready to remove any outer clothing as you enter the building. All patients will be asked to hand sanitize on entering & you must wear a face covering.

The front car park will be for dropping off only, parking will be at the rear of the building. The rear entrance will only be used for exiting the building, entry cannot be gained from this door.

Please note that flu vaccinations are strictly by appointment only.

Yours sincerely

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