

## **Covid Vaccines – An Update from Well Up North Primary Care Network**

Well Up North Primary Care Network are pleased to announce that we will begin offering Covid Vaccinations from next week!

All 12 practices within our network have been working exceptionally hard and within a very short timescale to book almost 3000 appointments for our first cohort of patients. Every appointment has been booked by telephone call with practice teams across the network and will continue through the Christmas and Bank Holiday period.

Please do not contact your practice about the vaccine. This helps to keep phone lines clear and allows practice teams to continue to provide care for patients who need it most. We are using the same members of the team who would usually answer your calls and we thank you for giving us the time we need to do this.

We will continue to contact patients when it is time for them to have their vaccine - There are national guidelines in place which prioritise the order in which we call patients for their vaccinations.

Please check NHS and government websites for the latest news

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) vaccine - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

Our hub sites will be manned on the most part by healthcare professionals from your practice.

As a result of this, there will likely be reduced or limited capacity for routine appointments if you contact your surgery. Many practices within the network area will be operating an “urgent only” system whilst their teams are vaccinating.

Vaccine Hub Site Locations:

Well Close Medical Group – Berwick-Upon-Tweed

Alnwick Cricket Club – Alnwick

Amble Health Centre – Amble

Do not arrive without an appointment and please don't turn up more than five minutes early to your appointment – space is limited, it's very cold, we don't want our patients waiting unnecessarily and have a plan to move people through the vaccine sites in a systematic and safe way.

Thank you for reading, please pass to anyone you think may be interested, please don't call the NHS for your vaccine – we WILL be in touch.

Well Up North

Morpeth – Greystoke, Gas House Lane

Felton

Widdrington

Coquet

Rothbury

Alnwick

Belford

Wooler – Cheviot, Glandale

Berwick - Union Brae, Well Close