



CHEADLE PRIMARY CARE NETWORK

Cheadle Medical Practice

Gatley Medical Centre

Heald Green Health Centre 1

Heald Green Health Centre 2

COVID Vaccination for patients of the Cheadle Primary Care Network (PCN)

Cheadle PCN is a collaboration of four local GP practices who are working together to provide the best care for the people in our area.

The four GP practices are Cheadle Medical Practice, Gatley Medical Centre and the two practices at Heald Green Health Centre.

We have all worked together very closely in the last few months to provide you with a *local* vaccination centre to ensure that everyone eligible, gets immunised against COVID-19, as quickly as possible.

We are proud to be ahead of nationally set targets for vaccinations.

Here is what you need to know...

1. The vaccine clinics are held at **Heald Green Village Hall**, Outwood Road, SK8 3JL
2. We have one (occasionally two) clinics a week depending on how many vaccines we receive.
3. We are sticking as strictly as we can to government guidelines and vaccinating the “at risk groups” in the order advocated by the Joint Committee in Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI).

See [Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation: advice on priority groups for COVID-19 vaccination, 30 December 2020 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/news/joint-committee-on-vaccination-and-immunisation-recommends-prioritising-older-people-for-covid-19-vaccination) for more information.

4. This week, we are vaccinating “Group 6 & 7” patients (carers and those under 65 with underlying health conditions that make them higher risk, as well as those patients age 60 - 64). This is a quite a large group and it will take us a few weeks to get through. If you are groups 1-5 you should have been offered the vaccine already, if not please contact your practice (Gatley is 0161 983 5100)
5. We have both Astra-Zeneca (Oxford) and Pfizer vaccines delivered to clinic but the type we receive varies week on week, depending on availability.
6. We are currently getting enough vaccines for around 1200 people per week.
7. The COVID vaccine is given as an injection in your upper arm. More information about the vaccine can be found here [COVID-19 vaccination - a guide for adults \(ulh.nhs.uk\)](https://www.ulh.nhs.uk/covid-19/vaccination-a-guide-for-adults)

8. Second vaccines will be offered 11-12 weeks after your first vaccines. We will invite you for this in the same way as we did for your first injection.
9. For a virtual 'Walk round' of the site by Dr Bradley, one of our GPs please see ***video from Dr B***

Here is what you need to do...

- a) Be patient! We are getting to you as quickly as we can!
- b) If you are patient of a practice in the Cheadle PCN and are over 65 *or* are considered Clinically Extremely Vulnerable but have not yet had the vaccine, please get in touch with your surgery.
- c) The quickest way to invite you is via a text (SMS) message. You can then (and only *then*) book an appointment directly through your mobile device. Alternatively, you can phone your surgery to book once you have received your invite.

It would help us if you can ensure we have an **up-to-date mobile number**.

Don't worry if you don't have a mobile phone. One of our team will phone to invite you when the time comes.

- d) Try and arrive as near to you can to your appointment time to ensure a smooth flow and minimise your wait.
- e) If you are on Warfarin, please bring evidence of your latest results with you (your 'yellow book' would be ideal!).
- f) Parking is limited at the Village Hall so it would really help if you could walk or someone could drop you off. Please note you will have to wait for 15 minutes after you have had the vaccine.

We love doing these clinics and the feedback from those attending has been delightful. It gives us all some hope and positivity after a very tough year.

We can't wait to see you at the Village Hall in the near future!!!

From all the staff and volunteers at the GP practices in Cheadle PCN



The Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) advice on priority groups for COVID-19 vaccination

The age-based prioritisation for the COVID-19 vaccine will include **around 99% of people at risk of dying** from the disease

- 1.** residents in a **care home** for older adults and their carers
- 2.** all those **80 years of age and over** and frontline health and social care workers
- 3.** all those **75 years of age and over**
- 4.** all those **70 years of age and over** and clinically extremely vulnerable individuals
- 5.** all those **65 years of age and over**
- 6.** all individuals aged **16 - 64 years with underlying health conditions** which put them at higher risk of serious disease and mortality
- 7.** all those **60 years of age and over**
- 8.** all those **55 years of age and over**
- 9.** all those **50 years of age and over**

