



# Marsh Medical Practice

## Winter 2021 Patient Newsletter

### Thank you

Firstly, thank you so much for all your support and kind words during this ongoing pandemic. We are so proud of how our staff and the wider NHS has met the challenges of Covid and continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

### Covid-19 update

We are so pleased to be able to see a light at the end of the tunnel with the introduction of the Covid vaccination. Vaccinating the adult population is a huge and unprecedented task but one that the NHS is more than capable of undertaking.

This process is a national programme and the priority list for patients is not within the control of GP practices. Individuals will be contacted by the NHS and invited to an appointment at a vaccination hub. We urge you to accept your invite and have your vaccination as soon as you can. Please do not contact the surgery regarding your vaccination appointment or your priority for vaccination. For further information please see [www.lincolnshire.nhs.uk/covid](http://www.lincolnshire.nhs.uk/covid)

### Accessing the Practice

In line with current guidelines, Marsh is continuing to undertake as many of our consultations by telephone. Please contact the surgery and request an appointment in the usual way and you will be called back by a clinician. If you need a face to face appointment, one will be arranged for you.

Please do not delay contacting us if you have any health concerns. Measures are in place both in GP practices and in hospitals to reduce the risks of infection from Covid, so please be reassured that the NHS is still here for you.

### Your data during Covid-19

This practice is supporting vital coronavirus (COVID-19) planning and research by sharing your data with NHS Digital. Health and care information is essential to deliver care to individuals, to support health, social care and other public services and to protect public health. This practice is supporting

vital coronavirus planning and research by sharing your data with NHS Digital, the national safe haven for health and social care data in England.

For more information please see our website's privacy notice or go to NHS digital <https://digital.nhs.uk/>

### Be Kind

Marsh continue to support the Be Kind campaign. In this stressful and challenging time, being kind to those around you is even more essential. Everyone is under pressure and a kind word (smiles are tricky with masks on!) can make the difference to someone's day.

We understand that our patients can become frustrated at times but being rude to our staff is not the solution. We have to operate within Government and NHS guidelines and have made adaptations to our service to adhere to these and to protect patients and staff alike.

