

# Flu Jab Information

- If you have some health conditions, You can have a **FREE** flu jab to help reduce the chances of you getting flu.
- The flu can be a very serious illness for some people.
- If you have poor health flu can become life threatening.

## Flu Jab could be **free** for you if..



You have a learning disability



You have breathing problems



You are 65 years old or older



You are Pregnant



You have a heart problem



You look after someone as a paid carer or unpaid carer



You are seriously overweight



You have any brain issues like MS or cerebral palsy

**Tell Us if you have any of these and we will be able to see if you can have the Flu Jab for FREE on the NHS**

## Guide For Pharmacists

- The purpose of this simple read is to give you a starting point to ascertain if someone may be eligible for the free flu vaccine.
- Where possible please Laminate and Display the front page around the pharmacy on walls and on your prescription counter.
- Use it in the consultation to ask customers who are requesting a flu jab to look at it and check if they may fall into any category.
- Using this will demonstrate compliance with the accessible information standard [July 2016] to enable people who may be on the GP register as having a learning disability to be able to identify this to you.
- It will also be helpful for people who may not be health literate enough to be able to identify their own health conditions through more complex leaflets and forms used.
- Remember that **anyone with a learning disability** is entitled to the Flu Vaccine as they fall under the category of vulnerable adults and neurological disorders
- People with a learning disability die an average of 17 years younger than the rest of the population and 50% of those deaths are attributed to respiratory conditions. [CIPOLD 2013]