

## Extended Access Survey, Veteran's Accreditation & Covid Update

6th July 2022

As we head towards some hopefully improved weather, some important updates from the Surgery:

### **Extended Access Survey**

To help to explore patient needs, patients are invited to complete a small survey to help our local Primary Care Network (PCN) understand whether patients would like to access clinicians Monday-Friday between 7am-8am & 6pm-8pm and on Saturdays. The survey also looks to identify how far patients would be prepared to travel to access these services, so your feedback is greatly appreciated.

Please click here <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/GG7295R> to complete the survey, which should only take a few minutes.

### **Armed Forces Veteran Friendly Accredited GP Practice**

As part of our commitment to supporting Veterans we have signed up to become an Armed Forces Veteran Friendly Accredited GP Practice, recognising the specialist support that is sometimes needed for those who have served in the Armed Forces.

The majority of veterans serve over 10 years, although a veteran is anyone who has previously served for at least one day in the Armed Forces (regular or reservist).

To help us identify and support our local veterans, please can you **email** us at [looe.letters@nhs.net](mailto:looe.letters@nhs.net) with your full name and DOB, using the subject header 'Veteran'. There are specialist services available, including veterans who have shared experiences to support you, please do update us as soon as possible.

### **Covid Clinics**

With Covid infections on the increase, just a quick friendly reminder that there are pop-up clinics taking place at the Millpool Centre for those overdue their first, second or booster vaccinations. For eligibility check the NHS website.

*Millpool Centre Clinic Dates / Times – July 10<sup>th</sup>, July 31<sup>st</sup>, August 7<sup>th</sup>, August 21<sup>st</sup> (09:30 – 14:30)*

In the meantime, we are starting to make plans for an Autumn Covid booster and flu vaccinations, which we will start to administer during September. Patients aged 65 years and over will be eligible for the Autumn Covid booster and flu jabs, with eligible immuno-compromised patients under 65 years invited to have both too. More details to follow.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

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