# Hardwicke House Patient Partnership Group (PPG) Newsletter Autumn/Winter 2025/26



HARDWICKE HOUSE GROUP PRACTICE 01787 370011



HARDWICKE HOUSE WEBSITE https://hardwickehousesurgery.co.uk



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# **IMMUNISATION**





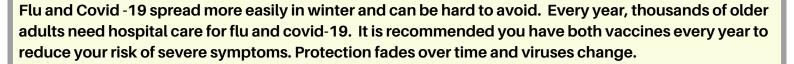
COVID-19

### **COVID-19 vaccination**

- Book on the NHS App or online at <a href="https://www.nhs,uk/get-vaccination">www.nhs,uk/get-vaccination</a>
- Find a walk in site at www.nhs.uk/covid-walk-in

### FLU

- Contact your GP surgery
- Book a pharmacy appointment on the NHS App or online at
- www.nhs,uk/book-a-flu-vaccination
- Find a pharmacy at www.nhs,uk/flu-pharmacy





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RSV & SHINGLES \*\*\*\*\*\*



If you haven't already, you may be able to get pneumococcal, RSV and shingles vaccinations, For full details go to: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations">www.nhs.uk/vaccinations</a>



# NHS HEALTH CHECKS FOR 40 - 74 YEAR OLDS



If you are aged 40 -74 and haven't had an NHS Health check for 5 years then you may have been invited to the surgery but not taken up the offer.

We would recommend that you do accept the opportunity to have your NHS Health check as a way of identifying potential health risks and to allow you to get guidance on how to maintain or improve your health.

An NHS Health check takes about 20 minutes and can be booked on a weekday or on a Saturday morning with a nurse or qualified Healthcare Assistant.

# **VISIT YOUR PHARMACY FIRST**

WE CAN HELP YOU WITH SEVEN COMMON CONDITIONS WITHOUT NEEDING A GP APPOINTMENT

SINUSITIS SORE THROAT SHINGLES IMPETIGO INFECTED INSECT BITE EARACHE (CHILDREN) URINARY TRACT INFECTION (WOMEN)

### **REPORT FROM THE HEALTH AWARENESS DAY 2025**

The third Health Awareness Day held in the St Peter's church (Sudbury Arts Center) in June was a great success with 25 organizations there to offer advice and support to over 500 local people. Those attending were able to discuss their health and local support services and many benefitted from having their blood pressure taken to help them understand the risks of strokes and heart conditions that could affect them. Several people were referred to their GP for a consultation. There was a very well attended demonstration of CPR (resuscitation) and the Happy Sounds Choir was greatly appreciated by a large audience.

Thanks to everyone who made the day a success and for helping local people to talk about their health and ways to stay healthy. We plan to hold another Health Awareness Day in 2026 or 2027.

### DO YOU NEED REASONABLE ADJUSTMENTS?

People with a physical disability, sensory disability, learning disability or long-term condition such as dementia are entitled to reasonable adjustments to ensure they have access to the care they need taking into account their individual circumstances. Reasonable adjustments are individual to each person and help remove barriers that people face.

For example, providing information in an easy to read format, longer appointments or quiet waiting spaces.

Visit the ICB website for more information on:-

<u>Suffolkandnortheastessex.icb.nhs.uk/reasonable-adjustments</u> and please feel free to speak to your GP surgery about ways they could help.

# PATIENT PARTNERSHIP GROUP

Members of this group provide a link between the practice staff and the patients. We meet every other month for about 2-3 hours and are always looking for new members. If you are interested in joining us or are interested in finding out more, please contact the secretary

New Members Welcomed



Email: hh.ppgsecretary@gmail.com 07801 178825

## **USEFUL NUMBERS**

Chambers Buses 01787 375360 Felix buses 01787 310574 01787 242116 Go Start **Babergh District Council** 0300 1234000 Suffolk County Council 0345 6072080 Sudbury Community Centre 01787 464380 **Audiology** 01284 713507 West Suffolk Hospital 01284713000 Physio self referral 03330 433966 U3A 07708 677917

# MISSED APPOINTMENTS

If you cannot attend your appointment, please telephone to cancel so that an urgent request by another patient to see a doctor or nurse can be given.

Patients are able to cancel appointments by phone 01787 370011



# **PHARMACIES**

 BOOTS SUDBURY
 01787 372617

 BOOTS GT. CORNARD
 01787 375804

 SUPERDRUG
 01787 379358

 NORTH ST. PHARMACY
 01787 371232

 TESCO PHARMACY
 01787 801006

 LONG MELFORD
 01787 379809

 CLARE PHARMACY
 01787 277315

### PHYSIOTHERAPY SELF REFERRAL

SUDBURY COMMUNITY
Centre
03330 433966

### **TAXI VOUCHERS**

If through lack of mobility you can no longer use your bus pass, taxi vouchers are available from Suffolk County Council.

TEL: 0245 6000659 for information