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- We are pleased to announce that Dr Laila Abdullah is back with the team after her maternity
- **The Flu Season will start next month in September, and if you are an eligible patient - see list below, please make sure you book a Flu appointment now.**
- People aged 65 years or over
- People becoming age 65 by 31st March 2018
- People aged 6 months to less than 65 and in a clinical risk group such as;
 - Chronic Asthma or COPD
 - Chronic Heart Disease /Heart Failure
 - Chronic kidney or liver disease
 - Chronic neurological disease such as Parkinson , Learning Disability , MS or Stroke
 - Diabetes
 - Morbid Obesity BMI>40
 - Weakened immune system such as Cancer or HIV/AIDS
 - All Pregnant Woman including becoming pregnant during the flu season
 - People in Care homes and carers
 - Asplenia or Splenic dysfunction
- Patients now can access and see their test results, immunisation history, documents and book appointments as well as requesting their repeats online. The form could be downloaded from our website (under NHS forms), emailed to you by request or completed at reception with proof of ID.
- The practice encourages patients to be involved in the PPG -Patient Participation Group which meets every quarter. Next meeting will be in September2017 (date to be confirmed)and will be advertised in our waiting area and on the patient call screen
- There is an ongoing **national shortage** of **paediatric Hep A** and **Adult Hep B** vaccinations for both NHS and private patients