



PPG Tabled Questions 27- 07-2020

1. How long does it take test results to arrive at the Practice from King's College Hospital?

Results for bloods come back within 3 working days or less. If the GP requests 'urgent' on a blood form, the result will be back within 24 hours. Some blood tests can take a little longer to come back.

- Histology (biopsies) 5 working days
- Mycology (skin scrapings), 2 weeks (week 1 microscopy results) and its left to culture (week 2 culture result).
- Gastric parietal cell sample/test, approximately 9 working days.
- X-rays and MRI, CT scans usually come back within 7 working days, however if there is a backlog at the hospital end, then this may take up to 2 weeks.

2. Is the practice able to collate how many patients have been tested, how many have tested positive and how many may have been A symptomatic but potentially have anti- bodies?

781 patients who were evaluated as possible covid-19 and 48 who were confirmed

3. Will the Practice be offering the winter flu jab to the 50 plus age group as mentioned in the media, to militate against another peak of the Corona Virus?

The practice will, comply with national guidance, which currently includes a new 50-64 cohort as well as the previous flu groups. However, our priority would be to ensure patient and staff safety. So it is likely that we would arrange booked appointments rather than the usual walk-in clinic and stagger the sessions. Pharmacies will be encouraged to help out too and children in all primary school years will be offered the flu jab at school. Our search shows that we have 2,314 patients that are over 65. However, the new cohort for the winter flu jab would increase the list to 5,648 patients.



4. The Practice on-line medical record no longer has a section on "Correspondence" where patients can read their letters. What is the current issue?

Document access has been turned off due to a fault in the system which has made access unsafe. The practice will provide any copies of letters in pdf format by email within 3 working days of a request.