

## **ALERT! NHS England Notification**

NHS England have notified us that a patient in the region has been subjected to fraud. The patient was contacted by phone by a person pretending to be a GP working at their local GP practice and that for a fee, the GP could attend their home to administer their flu jab. Unfortunately the patient gave out their bank account details and has sadly suffered financial loss.

**“If someone claiming to be from the NHS contacts you by phone and asks for a payment, please be aware they could be a criminal trying to trick you. Most NHS services are free at the point of use and NHS professionals are very unlikely to ask for fees such as prescription charges by phone. We advise you not to share bank account details or other financial information unless you are sure of who you are talking to.”**