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Councillor Adam Carter
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Dear Cllr Carter

Question at Council Meeting – Wednesday 5th March 2025

Thank you for your supplementary question at the Council meeting on 5th March 2025. I have set out your question and my response below.

Was this the same strategy applied with the flu vaccination as there were a number of organisations and companies that offered this staff to reduce sickness during that winter period?

I can advise that the annual flu vaccination programme is more established than the RSV programme, and there is evidence that vaccinating staff can prevent transmission to vulnerable people. Consequently, vaccination of frontline staff is advocated by 'The Green Book' ([Influenza: the green book, chapter 19 - GOV.UK](#)). The flu vaccination programme for 2024-2025 ([Flu vaccination programme 2024 to 2025: information for healthcare practitioners - GOV.UK](#)) therefore specifically recommended that frontline healthcare workers and social care workers should be offered a flu vaccine via their employer.

I hope you find this information helpful.

Yours sincerely,



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