Statement

25th July 2018

Flu Vaccination

In line with the requirements of the General Medical Council's Good Medical Practice the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges strongly believes that doctors have a responsibility to ensure they look after their own health and do not pass on infections to patients. As such the Academy believe that doctors and other healthcare staff have a duty to protect themselves, their patients, their colleagues and their families by being vaccinated.

The rates of flu vaccination for staff in NHS Trusts in England vary from 38.9% to 92.3%. Colleges and Faculties will do what they can to encourage their members to be vaccinated and urge NHS organisations to make the vaccination process as simple and accessible as possible to help ensure the highest possible level of up-take.

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