**RETIREMENT**

**Maureen Rafferty our receptionist at North Duffield is retiring at the end of May after 16 years at the practice. I am sure she will be greatly missed and everyone at the practice wishes her a long and happy retirement.**

**NEW RECEPTIONIST**

**Mrs Alison Atkins will be joining us as our new receptionist on 1st May 2018.**

**FLU CLINICS**

**Flu Clinics for the OVER 65’s will be held mid to late October this year and not September as in previous years. This is due to recent NHS England’s recommendations for flu vaccines for 2018/19 and the manufacturers delivery schedules.**

**Flu Clinics for the AT RISK 18-65 YEAR OLD PATIENTS will be held in September as they will be given a different vaccine.**

**Letters will be sent out to patients nearer to the time to invite them to the appropriate clinic.**

**DR KEEN**

**We are delighted to inform you that**

**Dr Keen will be returning to the surgery in April following her period of maternity leave.**

**SHINGLES**

**Patients will be contacted during the month of their 70th and 78th birthday to invite them to attend the surgery for a shingles vaccine assessment appointment.**

**GP REGISTRAR**

**We are pleased to welcome Dr Ann Smith who will be working at the surgery as our new GP Registrar. She will be with us until the end of July.**

**DR ÖNAÇ**

**We bid a sad farewell to Dr Önaç who will be leaving the practice on June 1st and moving on to pastures new. I’m sure you will join us in wishing her every success for the future.**

**NURSING AWARDS**

**Congratulations to our Nurse Manager, Sister Becky Rhodes, who was recently nominated in the General Practice Nursing Awards 2018. Becky was runner up for Preceptor of the Year Award. A great result for Becky and the practice.**

 **Well Done!**

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