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Dear [Name]

### Your annual flu vaccination is now due

Your GP recommends that you have the flu jab. It is the best protection against an unpredictable virus which can cause serious illness and death. The vaccination is **free**. Last year, most people offered the vaccine chose to be immunised.

Our records indicate that you are pregnant. Flu infection in pregnancy puts your baby at increased risk of being born prematurely or with a low birthweight. In serious cases it can even lead to stillbirth or death. By being immunised, these risks may be reduced. This protection extends into the first few months of life when babies are most vulnerable but too young to have a flu jab themselves. The flu jab also helps protect pregnant women directly from the complications of flu. Studies have shown that it's safe to have the flu vaccine during any stage of pregnancy - I therefore recommend being immunised as soon as possible.

**Please phone [insert practice phone number] to book an appointment for your flu vaccination by [insert date eg: 2 weeks after likely date of receipt of letter] – you can record the details overleaf**

For more information visit: [www.nhs.uk/flujab](http://www.nhs.uk/flujab)

Yours sincerely,

[GP name]

[Position/title]

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Please record the date and time of your vaccination appointment here and put it in an obvious place in your home.

Vaccination appointment: **on: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_am/pm**

 **Date Time**