

# Making an appointment with the GP



You will need to make an appointment with the GP of your choice, for your vaccination. When you ring to make the appointment, please tell the receptionist the following;

- ✓ It is your first time at this practice
- ✓ The name of the GP you would like to see
- ✓ That Shire GPs and Kuranula have given you the GP's name for the flu vaccination program. This is because many GPs do not take on new patients.

## What to expect at your first visit

- ✓ You need to bring your Medicare card with you to your appointment
- ✓ You will need to let the receptionist that you have arrived for your appointment
- ✓ You will be asked to answer some questions about your name, address, contact telephone numbers and the details of a support person (in case of an emergency). This is standard information that the practice legally has to obtain
- ✓ Many GPs have a nurse to assist them in treating patients. Depending on the GP, you might see the nurse first to answer some questions about your medical history. This helps the GP to give you the best possible health care.
- ✓ When you see the GP he/she will ask questions about your health. They will also do some take some measurements such as; blood pressure, weight, height, check your ears and throat. They might also do some other tests, but they will explain these at the time
- ✓ Feel free to ask questions if you don't understand or would like more information. The GPs are more than welcome to answer any questions you might have.

**If you need any more information contact please phone June Riemer at Kuranula on ph: 9528 0287**