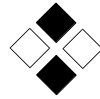


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When are the Doctors Available?

(These are the doctors' usual days of working but this may occasionally change.)

Doctor	Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
	am	pm	am	pm	am	Pm	am	pm	am	pm
Dr Muir	√	√	√	√	√		√	√	√	√
Dr O'Driscoll	√	√	√		√	√	√		√	√
Dr Blackman	√	√	√			√	√			
Dr Rowse			√	√	√	√		√	√	
Dr Gibson					√	√	√	√		

Antibiotics Awareness

If a cold is making you feel under the weather, antibiotics are not going to help.

The best way to treat most colds, coughs or sore throats is to drink plenty of fluids and rest. Colds can last about two weeks and may end with a cough and bringing up phlegm. There are many over the counter remedies to ease the symptoms so ask the pharmacist for advice.

Annual Survey Results

Thank you to everyone who recently took part in our Annual Survey. The results are now being collated and will shortly be published on our website:

www.thelodgesurgery.co.uk

Extended Hours Clinics

Did you know our Extended Hours Clinics are specially designed surgeries held outside our normal working hours for easy access by patients unable to get here during the working day?

They run from 6.30 – 8.30 pm on Wednesdays and Thursdays, according to the doctors' rota, and on Saturdays from 8 – 10 am once a month.

Please ask at Reception for further details or to book an appointment.

Home Fire Safety Checks

Did you know Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service offer FREE Home Fire Safety Visits? You can arrange an appointment for them to come to your home and give advice on:

- Fire risk in the home
- How to prevent and reduce the risk of fire
- Developing a night time fire safety routine
- Developing a fire escape plan
- Fire detection
- Free smoke detector fitting, where appropriate

Contact them on 0800 389 7849 to arrange an appointment.

www.wiltshire.gov.uk

Cancelling Appointments

Did you know you can ring and cancel your appointment any time of the day or night? Even when there is no-one here to answer your calls you can leave us a message and we will make sure the appointment is cancelled and made available for another patient. You can also email us at:

enquiries.lodgesurgery@nhs.net

Cancelled appointments can be filled very quickly so please take a minute to let us know if you are unable to attend. Thank you.

When you have finished with this, please leave in the waiting room or give to a receptionist so that it can be re-used.