

Tadcaster Medical Centre Update

The Duty Doctor Ringback Service

Requests for same day, urgent appointments are all dealt with by the Duty Doctor. This is to ensure we offer all our patients safe and correct medical treatment.

We ask that if you are unwell you do not come and sit in surgery as this may delay access to the correct treatment for you. You may also pose a risk to other people in the surgery.

Turning up and waiting does not allow us to offer a service based on clinical need, and may be detrimental to your health and the health of others.

Many thanks for your cooperation with what has generally been accepted as a very good same day service.

Drs Reeves, Inglis, Turton, Pitt, Langridge & Burgin

New Faces!

You may have noticed some new faces over the past few months... We are sure you will join us in welcoming Donna and Julia to the Reception Team and Helen as Trainee Dispenser.

The 3C's

This is a health initiative aimed at young people where the surgery will offer advice on **C**hlamydia, **C**ontraception and **C**ondoms as part of a sexual health service. We can offer anonymous screening for chlamydia, the surgery can provide an array of contraceptive options and will supply a small number of free condoms for those patients holding a 3C's or C Card.

CONFIDENTIALITY

"Here to listen, not to tell"



"We provide a confidential service to all our patients, including those under 16 years. This means that you can tell others about this visit but we won't. If you have any concerns about this, please feel free to ask a member of staff"

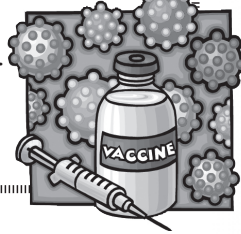


The practice will be holding a series of vaccination sessions (in the afternoons /after school) for all teenagers who need booster vaccines.

Those who are in need should receive a letter from us shortly - it is important that you make an appointment as soon as possible to ensure you long term protection is maintained.

You will be asked to complete a health questionnaire, which you should bring to your appointment. All information is confidential.

If you are over 16 years, thinking of travelling or going to University and think you may have missed out - please ask at reception we may still be able to help.



Data Sharing Electronic Records

Today electronic records are kept in all the places where you receive healthcare.

These places can usually only share information from your records by letter, email, phone or fax.

At times this can slow down your treatment and mean information is hard to access.

From November 19th our computer system will have the ability to share data with some of the other teams providing your care.

You can choose to share your record or you can choose not to, your doctor will ask you to let them know what you want to do when you next see them.

More information is available on our website or from the surgery.



Do you want to quit smoking?

Smoking Counsellor - Jill Ross

- from the North Yorkshire Smoking Cessation Team runs a clinic at the Medical Centre every Tuesday morning.

Appointments can be booked at reception or phone: 0845 877 0025 for more details. You don't need to see a GP for a referral.

Both Calcaria and Kirkgate pharmacies offer smoking cessation support.

Please contact them to arrange an appointment.

Useful Contact Numbers:

Calcaria Pharmacy:

01937 832287

Kirkgate Pharmacy:

01937 832276

York District Hospital:

01904 631 313

Non Urgent Ambulance

Transport Bookings

0300 330 2000