

CQC Visit

The Medical Centre was inspected by the CQC in June and awarded a rating of 'good' across the board with some areas of 'outstanding' practice highlighted. The full report will be available to download from the CQC website at some point over the summer, once published we will add a link on the practice website.

Walk in Wednesday Morning

During September we will be trialling a walk in system for all GP appointments on a Wednesday morning. Any GP who is working that day will have a fixed number of appointments available to book in person or by telephone from 8:30 am. They will be booked on a first come, first served basis but all the appointments (other than the 8:30 one) will only become available to book that morning. You will be given an appointment time by reception and unless it is one of the first of the morning you will be able to go and get on with your morning and return at the time booked. There will also be an on call GP for emergencies, should an emergency home visit be required. There will be a sign in reception earlier in the week listing which GP's are in that Wednesday. At the end of the month we will assess how the service has worked and consider making it permanent.

PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

We invite interested patients who are registered with any doctor at Tadcaster Medical Centre to join us as members of the Patients Participation Group (PPG). This is not an onerous task and requires no particular experience or skills. You need only have the desire to influence the way your medical practice meets the needs of its patients by attending three or four short meetings per year, contributing your ideas and opinions. Tadcaster PPG is already helping the clinical staff improve their service and we wish to enlarge it and ensure it is a representative cross section of users. If you would like to have some real influence on your Medical Centre, please contact the surgery.

Stephen Rogers - member of PPG



TIP:

Booking a planned medication review a few weeks in advance helps save immediate appointments for patients who may require one sooner!
Please think of others more in need.

Changes to the Childhood Immunisation Programme



Meningitis B

This vaccine will be added to the baby immunisations from 1st September 2015, babies will be offered it based on their date of birth in line with guidelines issued by the Department of Health (DoH). The practice cannot give the vaccine to children born before 1st May 2015 as it is NHS property.

Meningitis ACWY

This vaccine will be offered to all patients born between September 1st 1996 and 31st August 1997. A letter will be sent by the practice once we have received stock of the vaccine. It will also be offered to students going to university to start their **first** year this Autumn. It will **NOT** be offered to students in their second or subsequent years. The practice cannot offer the vaccine outside of this nationally set criteria as the vaccines are NHS property.

New Starters

Dr. Katherine Gill will be joining the team as our new GP registrar in August. She will be working on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at the practice. We also have a new Nurse on the team, Emma Liddle will be starting in September. We know you will make them both feel very welcome.

TIP:

PLEASE remember to leave 48hrs between ordering & collecting prescriptions. Even if your script is now arranged electronically. **It's a BIG help for GP's & staff.**



Do you want to quit smoking?

Smoking Counsellor - Sarah Smith - 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.

TIP:

Need to see a Physio? You don't need to see a GP, just ask reception for a self referral form!

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