

Bridge Surgery Newsletter

July 2017



Happy Birthday Bridge Surgery!

This month we are celebrating being at our current premises for 25 years! We moved from Bridge Street Surgery to Bridge Surgery on 18th July 1992. Past and present staff enjoyed a very sociable and sunny Afternoon Tea at the surgery on the 8th July, joined by retired GP's Dr Winsnes and Dr Waddy.

Please help us to help you when calling the surgery

Later in the summer we plan to introduce a new system whereby our receptionists will be asking patients for further information when they call the surgery in order to help them deal with the call in the most appropriate way.

The doctors would like to assure you that all our receptionists are bound by strict confidentiality rules and they would appreciate your co-operation in providing information when asked to do so by a receptionist.

Receptionists are also able to signpost to other services e.g. the pharmacy for a range of minor ailments or provide contact details for other providers.



GP Trainee News

Welcome to Dr Mohd-Osman, our new GP Trainee who will be joining us in August for a 6 month placement. Dr Mohd-Osman joins our two other GP Trainees, Dr Khan and Dr Turner.

Congratulations to Dr Seedat who qualified in June, our third GP Trainee to do so.

Online Services

Do you have trouble getting through on the phone first thing in the morning? Would you like to make your next GP appointment, order your repeat prescription or look at a summary or a 'detailed coded' version of your medical records online?

Pre-bookable and on-the-day GP appointments are available to book online with the on-the-day appointments released at 8.00am.

Please pick up an information leaflet and application form available from reception or on www.bridgesurgery.net.

Shingles Vaccination

Invitations to newly eligible patients (i.e. those born on or after 02/09/46 and aged 70 years) are being sent out in batches commencing July 2017.

Hepatitis A Travel Vaccination

Unfortunately there is a worldwide shortage of Hepatitis A vaccinations and we do not have any stock at the present time. We have been advised supplies may not be available until 2018.

Hepatitis B Travel Vaccination

Unfortunately this vaccine is not available on the NHS for travel purposes. We can offer this privately and the course consists of three injections and costs £90.00. This is payable at reception before your first injection is given.

Meningococcal (Men) ACWY Vaccination

Invitations to teenagers born between 01/09/1998 - 31/08/1999 are being sent out in batches commencing July 2017.

Please remember we do NOT accept repeat prescription requests over the telephone. Thank you!

