

# GREENBANK SURGERY

*By the Partners.... for the Patients*

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## Hayfever Season

Hayfever symptoms such as itchy/watery eyes, sneezing, runny/congested nose and itchy skin can often be easily treated with over the counter preparations – Please consult your friendly local chemist for advice and information about how to keep this under control. If you regularly suffer with seasonal symptoms don't delay – we suggest starting your treatments 2-4 weeks before your symptoms usually begin.

## New Doctor

We are pleased to welcome our next Foundation Year 2 training Doctor Aditya Gupta who is joining us full-time

## Paediatric Safeguarding Clinical Lead

We are pleased to announce Dr Katherine Cox has been successful in her application to become the clinical lead for safeguarding children across Warrington. She use her enhanced role to support staff and the local community in matters regarding the protection of children up to the age of 18years, including unborn babies.

from April until August. He is taking over from Dr Christopher Watters who has successfully completed his foundation training programme and is now moving onto A&E medicine.

Dr Gupta is a fully qualified and GMC registered doctor who is able to diagnose and prescribe medications. He is on a training programme and is not a qualified GP.

One of our regular GP's is always available, if required, to provide supervision and advice to Dr Gupta.

## Skin Tags



These are considered "Procedures' of Limited Clinical Priority" (PLCP) by the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). This means that they are no longer funded on the NHS unless exceptional circumstance criteria are met.

If a skin tag has changed, is unusually large or you are worried about it we are happy to see you in clinic to check it for you. Occasionally, if the doctor is concerned, we can make arrangements for this to be frozen using Cryotherapy or removed on the NHS.

Multiple/small or simple tags will not be treated for cosmetic or minor inconvenience reasons and we suggest you seek removal through a private clinic if you wish to do so.

More information about PLCPs can be found on the Warrington CCG website:

[www.warringtonccg.nhs.uk](http://www.warringtonccg.nhs.uk)

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