



THE BUCKLEBURY PRACTICE
Chapel Row Surgery
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SURGERY NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2005

New Healthcare Specialists

Over the past few months, the Doctors have been seeking to increase the range of healthcare services available through the surgery.

We are very pleased to confirm that we are now able to offer the following additional services, although at present these are only available as private healthcare services:

- ❖ Osteopath – Mr Bruce Carnegie currently operates 2 sessions per week at the surgery
- ❖ Physiotherapist – Mr Phil Harris currently operates 3 sessions per week at the surgery
- ❖ Podiatrist – Miss Emma Barrow currently operates a surgery each Friday morning at the surgery

For more information about our resident specialists, please talk to your GP or ask our Reception Staff about how to arrange an appointment.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

When the surgery is closed, emergency treatment can be obtained from WESTCALL on (01189) 78 78 11

MINOR INJURIES

If you sustain a Minor Injury, the West Berkshire Community Hospital in Thatcham has a Minor Injuries department.

If you come to the surgery first, please phone in advance to ensure we have someone to see you.

IMPORTANT SURGERY NEWS

OUR PRACTICE PHLEBOTOMIST:

We would like to advise our patients that Mrs Jacqui Plank, our practice Phlebotomist, will be leaving us on Friday 9th September. Jacqui is going to train as a Nurse and we wish her all success with her new venture and we would like to thank her very much for her considerable contribution to the surgery – she will be difficult to replace!

WELCOME TO DR HARDWICK

We would like to warmly welcome to our surgery, Dr Claire Hardwick, who will be joining us as an additional part-time GP with effect from 1st October 2005.

Dr Hardwick may be know to some of our patients as she has provided locum cover for our Doctors in the past, and recently as Dr Markham's locum this summer.

Flu Vaccine Clinics

Our Practice Nurses are now planning for this year's Flu Vaccine Clinics.

If you would like to be considered for a Flu Vaccination, please ask at our Reception for an appointment.

We are running 2 clinics: Saturday 15th October & Saturday 5th November
To ease the pressure on the surgery car park

In addition, if you are over 65 and would like the pneumococcal vaccination, this can be

given at any time. Leaflets explaining this vaccination are available at the surgery. Please contact us to arrange your appointment. Surgery Reception can be contacted on: **(0118) 971 3252**

Patient Participation Group

The NHS is currently making a series of changes to the way Health Care is provided across the country.

The aim is for health care in the Newbury area to be shaped by patients.

YOUR influence CAN make a difference.

If you would like to help shape the services which are available in your area, please come along to one of our meetings.

We meet at the surgery and the date of our next meeting is **Wednesday 2nd November @ 7.30 pm.**

The minutes from our previous meeting are displayed on the Patient Participation Group noticeboard in the waiting room, or we could e-mail or snail-mail you a copy, if you would prefer.

Planning Next Year's Holiday?

If you are now considering a holiday abroad next year, please do not forget to find out exactly what vaccinations and inoculations you may need for your chosen destination.

Our Practice Nurse, Carole Jenner, runs a regular Travel Health Clinic, at which she can advise you of exactly what precautions are necessary for the country you wish to visit.

Please book up in good time and well before you travel, as some vaccinations are given as a course, spread over days and in some cases, weeks.