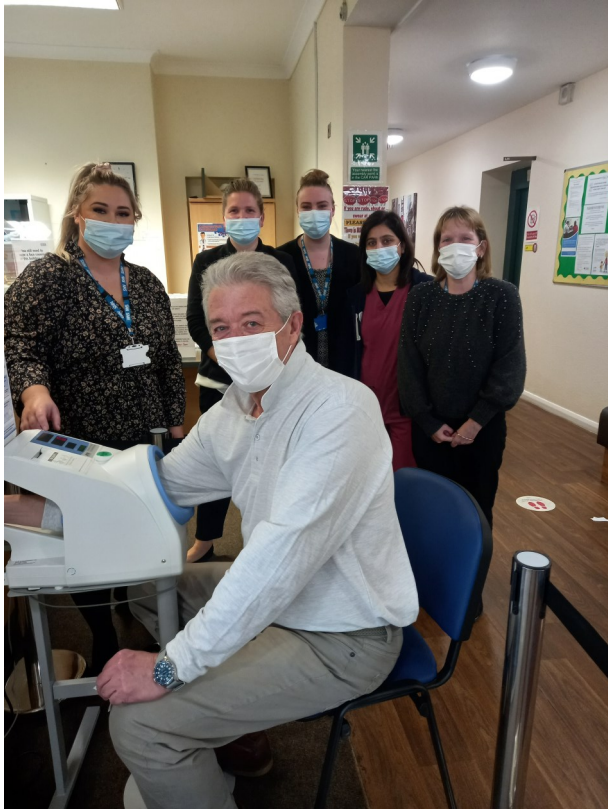


PRACTICE NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2021



PPG NEWS

Thank you to the PPG for raising the funds to enable us to now have the Engage Blood Pressure Monitor which is installed in reception. Pictured left is Elias Haddad the PPG Treasurer trying it out with members of St John's Medical Centre staff.

The PPG are recruiting new members.

If you wish to join and take part in quarterly meetings which are currently held via Zoom then please e-mail tracey.cullington@nhs.net

Have your say in matters regarding the surgery. We would really love your input. Come and join us in one of our meetings with no further obligations; we would love to see you.

Our next planned meeting is in January.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CLOSURES

The surgery will be closed on
Monday 27th and Tuesday 28th December 2021
3rd January 2022

STAFFING

Dr HERN KOOJO has joined the practice and will be with us for 8 months, Gillian Price will be joining the practice on the 6 December as a Medical Receptionist. Kayde Davies has joined us in the Administration team. Some of you may have already met Angelika Brol, Jessica-Leigh Tamplin and Shannon O'Neil who are all part of the reception team.

We are sorry to say goodbye to Jo Geeson from reception and Phil Richards our First Contact Practitioner; Daniel Towey will be replacing Phil Richards.

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR

REFERRAL NEWS

ADHD Referrals

We are getting a lot of requests for adult ADHD referrals. Please be aware that all of these requests have to go through our CCG panel and despite some people using the 'Right to Choose' forms, you cannot go straight through to ADHD 360. This is for all referrals from ages 16 onwards. If you are able to be seen then the CCG will direct your referral one of 3 ways and to the way most appropriate for your needs. The surgery cannot make direct referrals to ADHD 360 on your behalf as funding needs to be approved.

Fitzwilliam Hospital/Boston Hospital, Peterborough

Just to let you know that if you are willing to travel for your appointment to see a spinal surgeon, gastroenterologist, gynaecologist, orthopaedic surgeon, rheumatologist, cataract clinic, and urologist then please tell your GP or clinician when you speak to them as currently the waiting time to be seen in the above hospitals is only two weeks.

Follow Up Appointments

If you want to chase up an appointment and you are already under the hospital then please call the hospital secretaries, they can help you with your follow up appointment dates and will have more information.

The number to chase a new appointment is 01522 573200