

# FARLEY ROAD MEDICAL PRACTICE NEWSLETTER

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Please take a look at our new website, there is lots of useful information for you to read and links to ordering your repeat medication and booking your appointments on line. There is also advice and information on a range of topics.

## Special Points of Interest:

- **New Staff and Leavers**
- **Out of Hours & DNA**
- **Appointment Changes & Online Access**
- **FLU VACCINATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE**

## STAFF

WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME OUR NEW STAFF MEMEBERS, CHRIS WILL BE WORKING ON RECEPTION, DR JAIMIN PATEL & DR GILLIAN LANDYMORE HAVE NOW JOINED THE PRACTICE SO PLEASE GIVE THEM A WARM WELCOME. OUR LOCUM DR SAIF PATEL WILL BE WILL US TILL THE END OF MARCH. NURSE CHLOE HAS LEFT AND WE WISH HER ALL THE BEST, NURSE SONIA HENLON HAS JOINED THE PRACTICE ALONG WITH NURSE JAYNE DAVIS.

## DNA—DID NOT ATTEND

**DNA – a huge waste. You can help us to prevent this. You can also help other patients.**

What is a DNA? A DNA is when a patient does not attend for a booked appointment.

**Cancelling an appointment is simple.**

- Phone us on 0208 651 1222 anytime of the day or night and leave a message
- e-mail us at [admin@farleymedical.info](mailto:admin@farleymedical.info)
- log on to appointments online where all your upcoming appointments are listed and can be cancelled or rebooked for another date or time.

**Please consider registering for our free SMS appointment reminder service** which will send you a text reminder before your appointment. Someone else will be able to use the appointment even if you cancel at short notice.

## SIGN UP TO APPOINTMENTS ON LINE

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN NOW SIGN UP TO APPOINTMENTS ON LINE WHICH WILL GIVE YOU THE FLEXIBILITY TO BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENTS ON LINE 24 HOURS A DAY 7 DAYS A WEEK

PLEASE SEE THE STAFF AT RECEPTION TO PICK UP A FORM OR PRINT THE FORM OFF FROM OUR WEBSITE  
[WWW.FARLEYMEDICAL.CO.UK](http://WWW.FARLEYMEDICAL.CO.UK)

WE ALSO HAVE A NEW APP THAT CAN BE USED CALLED MYGP, ITS FREE.

## NEWSLETTER

WHAT DO YOU WANT TO SEE IN OUR NEWSLETTERS? WE NEED YOUR FEEDBACK AND WOULD WELCOME SOME IDEAS PLEASE

DO PLEASE EITHER LET RECEPTION KNOW OR PLEASE EMAIL YOUR IDEAS AND THOUGHTS TO  
[ADMIN@FARLEYMEDICAL.INFO](mailto:ADMIN@FARLEYMEDICAL.INFO)

## EXTENDED HOURS

We have extended surgery hours for patients needing routine appointments. Appointments are available at the following times and must be pre-booked via reception or our online appointment system.

Alternate Tuesdays GP	18.30—20.00
Alternate Wednesdays GP	18.30—20.00
Thursday GP	18.30—19.00
Friday GP	18.30—19.00
Saturdays by appt GP & Nurse	08.30—10.30

These appointments are not intended for emergencies. You should contact NHS 111 on 111 if you need to see a doctor urgently. You can however collect your prescriptions at the above times, please note all other departments will be closed.

## ACCESS TO MEDICAL RECORDS ON LINE

WE HAVE A DEDICATED TEAM—SUE, LAURA AND CLAIRE WHO CAN HELP YOU IF YOU ARE HAVING ANY DIFFICULTIES WITH USING THE APPOINTMENT ON LINE, MEDICATION REQUESTS AND ACCESS TO MEDICAL RECORDS. FROM THE 1ST APRIL 2015 PATIENTS WERE ABLE TO HAVE ACCESS TO THEIR MEDICAL RECORDS ON LINE. YOU WILL BE ABLE TO VIEW YOUR TEST RESULTS, ANY LETTERS AND YOUR PAST HISTORY AND IMMUNISATION HISTORY. IF YOU WISH TO ACCESS THIS SERVICE PLEASE EITHER POP INTO THE SURGERY OR LOOK ON LINE AND PRINT OFF THE FORM, ONCE YOU HAVE FILLED IN THE FORM YOU WILL NEED TO COME INTO THE SURGERY WITH ID (PASSPORT, DRIVING LICENCE OR HOUSEHOLD BILL WITH YOUR NAME WITHIN 3 MONTHS) WE WILL THEN PROCESS THIS FOR YOU AND YOU WILL BE SENT A LOGIN AND PASSWORD TO HAVE ACCESS TO YOUR MEDICAL RECORDS. IF YOU HAVE ANY DIFFICULTY THEN PLEASE CALL THE SURGERY 0208 651 1222 AND SPEAK WITH SUE, LAURA OR CLAIRE WHO WILL BE HAPPY TO HELP YOU.

## DID YOU KNOW WE NOW HAVE FREE WIFI AT FARLEY ROAD? OUT OF HOURS

IF YOU NEED ACCESS TO A GP WHEN THE SURGERY IS CLOSED YOU CAN DIAL 111 FOR ADVICE FROM 6.30PM—8AM MONDAY—FRIDAY AND ALL DAY AT THE WEEKENDS

GP HUBS ARE OPEN FROM 8AM—8PM AT PURLEY HOSPITAL AND PARKWAY HEALTH CENTRE IN NEW ADDINGTON EAST CROYDON  
MEDICAL CENTRE 365 DAYS A YEAR

GP HUBS ARE AVAILABLE 7 DAYS A WEEK FOR URGENT CARE NEEDS  
A&E IS ONLY FOR EMERGENCYS ONLY—SERIOUS ILLNESS AND LIFE THREATENING INJURY ONLY

## Do you know that we have a Patient Participation Group at The Farley Road Practice?

### What is a Patient Participation Group (PPG)?

Our surgery has a Patient Participation Group at the Practice in order to understand the views of you, the patients and to share information about the Practice with you. It has been a requirement since 1 April 2015 for all Practices to have a PPG and they can become increasingly helpful to patients and healthcare providers alike. No two PPGs are the same and we want to make ours really useful to our Practice and the staff who work there.

### The Purpose of a PPG

Our PPG can help improve and develop services within the Practice.  
 We can help let the Practice staff know what matters most to us.  
 We have an opportunity to discuss topics of mutual interest with the Practice staff.  
 We can encourage health and wellbeing amongst our patients.

### What do we want to do at our PPG?

Make sure that there is two way communication between us, the patients, and the doctors and other Practice staff.  
 Make sure that the patients' views are heard by the Practice.  
 Understand how the NHS is developing and the effect changes might have on our healthcare.  
 Raise awareness about the PPG and the various activities going on at the surgery such as flu immunisations, use of on line facilities and Open Meetings or about new doctors joining the Practice or new ideas in healthcare.  
 Provide a forum for patients to meet and support each other.  
 Encourage more patients to join our PPG to increase the help we can give to the Practice and to allow more people to find out about their health services.

### Why should you be involved with your PPG?

You can offer your own perspective on the services provided at the Practice and contribute to their ongoing improvement. We need to make sure that we have a wide range of views and opinions and so need representation from our diverse patients. You can learn more about the way the NHS works and specifically what is happening in Croydon.

**The PPG meets formally every Quarter and is chaired by the PPG Chairperson and attended by the Senior Partner with informal meetings in between. We hold an Open Meeting every year and you can sign up for emails about the PPG if you wish.**

If you would like to come to a meeting or find out more information, please contact the Chairman, Biman Ghosh, on [bandrghosh@hotmail.com](mailto:bandrghosh@hotmail.com) or 07905142596.

Our next meetings are at the Practice on January 15<sup>th</sup> 9.30 – 11.30 for an informal meeting and January 29<sup>th</sup> 18.30- 20.00 for a formal meeting with Dr Jasper.

## LOCAL PHARMACISTS - COLLECTION SERVICE

*The following pharmacies operate a collection service and will collect your prescription from the surgery. Please speak to the pharmacist for details.*

<b>Boots</b>	12-18 Whitgift Centre	020 8686 6201
<b>Day Lewis</b>	208 Addington Road	020 8657 6172
<b>Day Lewis</b>	45 Elmfield Way	020 8657 2474
<b>Goldmantle</b>	Forestdale Centre	020 8651 1270
<b>Harris</b>	Crossways	020 8651 6062
<b>Lloyds</b>	97 Addington Road	020 8657 1292
<b>Lloyds</b>	123 Addington Road	020 8657 1436
<b>Lloyds</b>	Hamsey Green	020 8657 2965
<b>Makepeace &amp; Jackson</b>	7 Station Road Sanderstead	020 8657 0221
<b>Medipharm</b>	(Delivery within 3 miles to housebound patients) 37 Limpsfield Road	020 8657 2203
<b>Riddlesdown</b>	104 Lower Barn Road	020 8660 7150
<b>Sainsbury's</b>	631 Limpsfield Road	01883 623605
<b>Superdrug</b>	Whitgift Centre	020 8681 5035
<b>Croydon Pharmacy</b>	44 South End	020 8688 5544
<b>Andrew McCoig</b>	Brighton Rd, South Croydon	020 8668 3253

## BLOOD TESTS

The ordering of blood tests is now on line through our main provider Croydon University Hospital. The new system will hold information about diagnosis and treatment of any patients using the trusts services and will be used by doctors, nurses and healthcare professionals. This single electronic record will dramatically reduce the use of paper notes, meaning that wherever a patient is and whatever service they are using their clinician will be able to see up to date information. For patients who spend time in hospital then go on to be cared for by one of our community teams, this also means that the whole team will have access to the same information.