ELLON GROUP PRACTICE - NEW PATIENT INFORMATION



** PLEASE RETURN THE URINE SAMPLE WHEN YOU VISIT THE NURSE FOR YOUR SCREENING MEDICAL AND NOT WHEN YOU RETURN YOUR COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORMS **

New Patient Registration Forms of Identification

To register with the Practice, the following are preferably requested as examples of personal identification:

- Birth certificate
- Marriage certificate
- Medical card
- Driving Licence (this can also be used to evidence your address)
- Passport

To provide proof of your address the following are preferably requested:

- Driving Licence
- > Local authority rent card
- Paid utility bills
- > Bank/building society card statement
- Payslip
- Letter from Benefits Agency/Benefit Book/Signing on card
- Papers from the Government Home Office
- ➤ P45

Surgery Reception Signposting System

The Practice operates a **signposting system** to ensure that patients are attended by the most appropriate member of the clinical team based upon their medical needs and conditions at the time.

The surgery Receptionist will ask the nature of your problem to ensure that you are attended by the most appropriate person and to maximise the use of GP and nurse appointments to the benefit of all patients. **Please help our Reception team to help you.** It is vital that, when asked, patients do provide the administration team with sufficient information regarding the nature of the appointment, in order that we may expedite appropriate care. The administration staff are bound by the same code of confidentiality as the clinical staff.

We wish to reassure patients that the GPs work closely with the entire clinical staff and supporting administrative team and are fully involved in every aspect of your medical care.

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<u>Please see below information which will help you to determine who you require to see to support your health care needs:</u>

Pharmacist:

Your local Pharmacist can provide expert advice or information regarding your healthcare as listed below, in addition to assisting with your medication. Patients who are under 16 years, or under 19 years and in full-time education, or those aged 60 years or over, please ask the Pharmacist to join the Minor Ailment Scheme. If the Pharmacist determines that you need medication for any of the complaints below they can issue this under the scheme and you will not have to pay.

Athletes Foot Chicken Pox Cold Sores Constipation
Cough & Cold Diarrhoea Ear Wax Emergency
Contraception

Fungal Nails Head Lice Hay Fever Haemorrhoids

IndigestionMouth UlcersNappy RashRashesSmoking CessationSore ThroatThreadwormsThrush

Travel Sickness Urinary Infection (women Warts & Verucas Conjunctivitis/Sticky Eye

only & certain criteria) (over 2 years)

Medication Queries

Minor Illness Nurse:

The Minor Illness Nurse, a highly trained prescribing nurse who works very closely with the doctors, can attend to the following*:

New cough (<3 weeks) Sore Throat Sore Ears (inc. Sinusitis

Discharge)

Nasal Congestion Hay Fever New Chest Infection Conjunctivitis (6 mths-2

years)

UTI (female >65 years or UTI (adult male)

if Trimethoprim allergy)

Nurse Practitioner:

The Nurse Practitioners are highly trained nurses who manage/review patients with any of the following chronic diseases:

Asthma Diabetes High Blood Pressure

Practice Nurse / Treatment Room Nurse:

Vaccinations Dressings Emergency Treatment STI Screening

Swabs INR Checks Blood Pressure Check

Phlebotomist:

Blood Tests INR Checks

^{*}Excluding: Children <6 months, pregnant women, patients with an active cancer or receiving chemotherapy

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Optician:

If you have any of the following eye symptoms please consult your local Optician. They have an emergency appointment system for such problems. **This service is free of charge.**

Sudden loss of vision Blurred vision Painful or red eyes Sudden flashes or

floaters

Dentist:

If you have any of the following symptoms please consult your Dentist:

Toothache Infection or Injury in your mouth or to teeth

Online Services:

The Practice offers an online appointment bookings and repeat prescription service via "PATIENT ACCESS". Please request an online registration form from Reception. Patients may opt out of consent given to email or text consent at any time by contacting the Practice.

Text Reminders:

Patients can be contacted via text message. This service provides appointment reminders in addition to the surgery being able to contact you.

If you have not given us your mobile number, please do so. If you change your mobile number please inform us to enable records update. You may opt out at any time by contacting the Practice.

Zero Tolerance Policy:

At the Ellon Group Practice we are here to help you, but in order to maintain high standards of patient care, our staff must be able to work in an environment that is free from the following:

- Abusive language
- Violence
- > Harassment
- Aggressive behaviour

We operate a 'Zero Tolerance Policy' – inappropriate behaviour towards any member of our staff may result in the withdrawal of our service and/or in legal proceedings. Mandatory to the new patient registration process you will be asked to sign acceptance and agreement to abide by the Zero Tolerance Policy.

Ellon Group Practice Website:

Please visit the Ellon Group Practice Website: www.ellonmedicalpractice.co.uk for useful information and support links.