

PARK LANE SURGERY NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME TO OUR PRACTICE NEWSLETTER

Friends of Park Lane Surgery

For many years we have had an active patient participation group. The group meets with Dr Karen Hunter and Chris the practice manager to help us improve the care we deliver. They also review issues for us by email.

If you are interested in joining the group, please email or phone:

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cheshire.parklanepg@nhs.net](mailto:cmicb-cheshire.parklanepg@nhs.net)

01625 422893

The latest changes to our Practice team:

We are gradually getting accustomed to Dr Hastings' not being here following her retirement in July.

Dr Claire d'Arch Smith is our new GP partner alongside Dr Karen Hunter, Dr Joe Banns and Dr Sam Locksedge.

Dr Holden has returned and works Mondays and Wednesdays

Dr Hull now works Mondays and Thursdays

Dr Khan is in surgery Tuesdays and Fridays

Congratulations and goodbye to Dr Deakin who has completed her GP training. She has taken up a post with another practice.

We have also said farewell to Dr Atia Haq, Dr James Collis and Dr Hammad Hassan; they have all moved to their next placements.

We are joined by 3 new GP trainees: Dr Raenah Khokhar, Dr Daniel Bibi and Dr Ahmed Mohamed.

Also joining us on an interim basis is Chris Lewis, Physician Associate (PA) – not sure what a PA is?...see this role explained on Page 2.

FLU CLINICS

Our first flu clinic will be held here at the surgery on

Saturday 23rd September and 08.00 to 12.30 - for all ages including children

With more clinics to follow on:

27/09/2023 1400-1500 & 1530-1630 (65+)

28/09/2023 1800-1900 (18-64)

05/10/2023 1800-1900 (65+)

14/10/2023 0800-12.30 (all ages)

If you are eligible for a vaccination at the surgery you will receive an invite by text message, or letter if you do not have a mobile phone.



Meet Chris Lewis, our Physician Associate

What is a Physician Associate?

A Physician Associate is a medical profession that originated in America in the 1960's and pioneered in the UK in 2003. Currently Physician Associates (PAs) in the UK begin their journey as postgraduate students of biomedicine, students of nursing or pharmacy degrees. From here they go to Physician Associate (PA) school for 2 years learning medicine and graduate as a medical professional.

Physician Associates receive advanced training to perform a range of tasks including taking medical histories, performing physical examinations, performing diagnostic or therapeutic procedures.

Physician Associates are able to diagnose illnesses and medical conditions, doing so in part by requesting and analysing test results. They are also able to provide guidance on disease prevention and health promotion. They work closely with other members of the medical team.

In general practice PAs tend to have longer consultations with patients and this can be an effective way of practising holistic and preventive medicine.

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UPDATE TO COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

From 1st July 2023 the way members of the public make a complaint about GP services to the commissioners is changing and now instead of contacting NHS England patients need to contact the Integrated care Board of the NW region.

Telephone Office for Cheshire, Merseyside, Lancashire and South Cumbria
0151 285 4777

Write to Complaints Team
Office for Cheshire, Merseyside, Lancashire and South Cumbria
Regatta Place
Summers Road
Brunswick Business Park
Liverpool
Merseyside
L3 4BL