

APPLES NEWS Winter 2016 Newsletter

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Electronic Prescription Service

The Apples Medical Centre has introduced an Electronic Prescription Service.

This Service is primarily aimed at patients who are not eligible to use the practice dispensary.

It is particularly suitable for patients who currently use a prescription collection service and who tend to collect their prescriptions from the same pharmacy each time. We will send your prescriptions to your preferred pharmacy, unless you inform us otherwise.

To nominate a pharmacy to receive your electronic prescriptions, please inform the surgery dispensary or your pharmacy.

Clinical Service Review

The Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) is in the middle of a major review of the Health Care in Dorset. The CCG would like to promote a short 3 minute animation film which is aimed at people who have no prior knowledge of the Review, the file is available on the Dorset's Vision website and can be shared using this link:
<http://www.dorsetsvision.nhs.uk/the-need-for-change-film/>

CQC Inspection August 2015

We had a 'Rating' inspection in August 2015; we have received our overall rating as **Good** the full report is on our Website:

www.sherborneapples.co.uk

Staff News!

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From January 4th 2016 the GPs have changed their working days:

Mondays:

Dr Miles all day
Dr Morris all day
Dr Lewis all day
Dr Tweedie morning
Late surgery GPs rotate

Tuesdays:

Dr Miles all day
Dr Morris all day
Dr Tweedie all day
Late surgery GPs rotate

Wednesdays:

Dr Miles all day
Dr Morris all day
Dr Lewis all day

Thursdays:

Dr Miles all day
Dr Lewis afternoon (From February all day)
Dr Tweedie all day

Fridays:

Dr Morris all day
Dr Lewis all day

Once a month Saturday morning surgery GPs rotate

Caroline Clothier; Lead Practice Nurse will not be returning to the Practice due to Family commitments

APPOINTMENTS

MISSED

(Oct, Nov and Dec)

173

Sherborne Apples

Forum:

The core members of the group meet quarterly, our next meeting is on Tuesday 9th February 1.30pm in the surgery. We are planning on hosting a few 'Coffee Morning' days; hopefully these days will be the start of few more fundraising events.

S.A.F are hoping to raise funds to improve the seating in the Waiting Room.

If you have any fundraising ideas or would like to attend the S.A.F. meeting we would like to hear from you. Contact Philippa Cannings at

Philippa.cannings@gp-j81029.nhs.uk

Christmas Jumper day –

Friday 18th December 2015, staff and GPs wore their Christmas Jumpers to support Text Santa Charities



Flu Day 9th October

2015:

A very successful Flu day, we had representatives from Dorset Fire and Rescue service and My Health My Way (our Website as more information on this service) thank you to the S.A.F members who helped with the refreshments, we raised £37.50 to go into our Equipment Fund

ALL THE STAFF AT THE PRACTICE WOULD LIKE TO SAY A BIG 'THANK YOU' FOR THE KIND GIFTS WE RECEIVED AT CHRISTMAS

REMINDERS:

Patients who are eligible for the Flu Jab;

People aged 65 or over
People who have a serious medical condition
Pregnant women

There is still time to have your flu jab, please contact the surgery to book your flu injection

MenACWY – last academic year's (2014/15) year 13 leavers and university starters

Students - we ask that you contact the Surgery and make an appointment to have your MenACWY vaccine before returning to their studies. Patients aged 18 years of age on 31 August 2015, who have not yet taken up the offer of MenACWY vaccination, remain eligible under the MenACWY enhanced service until 31 March 2016.

Additionally, any university fresher's up to 25 years of age who have not yet received the MenACWY vaccine remain eligible under the meningococcal fresher's enhanced service.

Philippa Cannings, Practice Manager