Now accepting new patients!

How to Register
- We are currently accepting new patients, please visit our website or speak to one of the Practice team for further details
- We can only register patients that live in the following post code areas: PO1 or PO2

Change of Contact Details
- Please notify the surgery of any change to your contact details as soon as you are able

Online Services
- You can register, book and cancel appointments and request repeat prescriptions online, via our website. Please ask at reception for login details

Opening Hours and Appointment Times
- The Surgery is open from 08:30 – 18:00 Monday to Friday. The telephones are open 08:00 – 18:30 daily.
- Appointments are available for those that cannot attend during normal working hours, to book until 19:00 every Tuesday and from 07:30am every Wednesday for pre-booked appointments
- Advance appointments are available with a Doctor between Monday to Friday during Morning and Afternoon sessions

‘On The Day’ Appointments
- A limited number of last minute appointments with the Duty Doctor or Nurse Practitioner are available for medically urgent problems and should be booked by calling Reception from 08:00 ‘on the day’

Need a Home Visit?
- If you are housebound or too ill to attend the surgery you may request a home visit. Please telephone before 11:00am. EMERGENCY home visits will be considered by the duty doctor after 11:00

Out of Hours Medical Care:
- In an EMERGENCY or if you are severely ill (e.g. severe chest pain, sudden collapse) telephone 999 and ask for an ambulance
- NHS Direct can provide telephone advice 24-hours a day. Telephone: 111
- Pharmacies can offer treatment and advice for many minor ailments
- St Mary’s NHS Treatment Centre is a nurse led service for minor injuries. X-ray facilities available. Open daily 08:00 – 22:00 (last patient 21:30)
  Telephone: 02392 858 400
- GP Out of Hours Service are available for urgent medical attention, when the Practice is closed.
  Telephone: 111

Prescription Renewals
Please allow 2 working days from receipt of request. Please use your printed prescription counterfoil whenever possible to avoid errors in repeat prescribing. You may either:
1. Drop your prescription request in the box in the counter at reception
2. Fax or mail in your request. (For safety reasons telephone requests are not accepted)
3. Order on-line (please ask at reception for details)
4. Speak to your local pharmacist about how they may be able to arrange repeat prescriptions to be sent directly to them for your collection

Test Results
- Please telephone between 2 and 5pm for test results.

Young Persons Access
- Appointments are available to people over 13
- We have time, will listen and will support our young patients providing confidentiality
- We would only share information told to us if we were worried either about the patient’s own safety or the safety of others
District Nurses
- Give specialist nursing care for housebound individuals, e.g. wound care, falls assessment, support of ‘self-management’ for long-term conditions
- Provide specialist ‘end of life’ (palliative) care for patients and carers. **Telephone: 0300 300 2012**

Health Visitors
- Provide baby clinics at various city locations.
- Support and advice on all issues relating to parenting e.g. feeding, weaning, toileting, behavioural issues
- Please ask at reception for contact details

Stopping Smoking & Alcohol Interventions
- For further details or to book an appointment at the next appropriate clinic, please ask at reception

Health Trainers
- Health Trainers offer 1:1 sessions for people wanting to improve their health and change their behaviour
- They can support individuals with healthy eating, weight management and getting physically active

Fee Incuring Non-NHS Services
- Reception provide details of fees incurred for ‘non-NHS’ services. (E.g. HGV Licence Medicals, Private Medicals, and Housing Applications)

Data Protection
- Legislation requires certain safeguards around the confidentiality and disclosure of patient’s health information and as such it is protected by common law, the Data Protection Act 1998 and the ethical responsibilities of healthcare staff. Patient consent would be sought if information was to be made available outside of these criteria.
- Patients have the right of access to their records subject to certain safeguards on their behalf, and that the protection of information from a third party is maintained. Please contact the Practice Manager who can give you an explanatory leaflet, if you would like further details

Our Doctors

Dr Geoffrey J Robinson
Dr Vivek Shrivastva
Dr Natalie McCormack
Dr Anthea Norman

Service Users’ Suggestions & Involvement
- Mrs Helen Burch, Practice Manager is happy to discuss any constructive suggestion for service improvement
- Our Patient Participation Group meets every 4 months; if you wish to become involved please ask at reception

Consent
- Before a doctor or other health professional examines or treats you, they need your consent. Sometimes consent is given verbally. Sometimes a written record of your decision is necessary. If you’d like more information about consent, please ask for a leaflet from Reception