



The Village Medical Centre

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Welcome to The Village Medical Centre's latest newsletter! We're delighted to connect with you and share updates from our practice and valuable health information to support your well-being. This month's edition contains information about

Bank Holiday Closure

We will be **closed** on **Monday 31st August** due to the bank holiday, we will be back open from Tuesday 1st September (normal opening hours of 8am-6:30pm).

Please ring 111 for medical advice or urgent prescriptions. In case of emergency please call 999. Please order repeat prescriptions in good time ahead of bank holiday weekends.

Many pharmacies remain open and can help with minor illnesses. If you are unsure on where to go, NHS 111 can direct you to the right service.

Medication Reviews

From time to time you will be invited to book a medication review with a doctor or the practice pharmacist, these can generally be carried out over the phone. It is very important these reviews are carried out on a regular basis to ensure that you are receiving the most appropriate and effective medications for your health conditions.

If a review is not booked in then it could result in the prescription quantity being reduced until you have booked a review. These reviews are a great opportunity to ask more direct questions about the medication you are taking and raise any concerns you may have regarding your medication which in turn can lead to better management of long-term conditions.

We would recommend booking a medication review either when prompted or at least a month before your repeat prescription is due, this is to ensure we can book you an appointment in advance of ordering your next prescription.

Should you wish to discuss your medication before a review is due, please speak with the admin team to arrange a routine appointment with the doctor or practice pharmacist.

We would love to hear your thoughts!

We have an online form which allows you to freely type your feedback about any aspect of the surgery. Alternatively, we also have forms in reception to complete. Scan the QR code on the right to complete your feedback now



PCN ADHD Service

The primary care network are pleased to announce their new ADHD service which is replacing the previous ADHD LEAP service. This new service is primarily for patients over the age of 18 years old who suspect they are experiencing ADHD symptoms.

If you think you have symptoms of ADHD which you would like to discuss them with a clinician, please speak with the admin team at the surgery to book a routine appointment with the doctor. The doctor may then refer you to the PCN ADHD team. The PCN ADHD service will triage each referral and contact each individual referred to discuss the next steps.

The next steps could include an assessment by a neurodevelopmental practitioner or a referral to secondary care (the hospital teams). Should the assessments carried out by the PCN ADHD service indicate ADHD they can provide a formal diagnosis. From here, should the patient wish to start medication the team will be able to start this process and monitor until a stable dose of medication is achieved. The patient will then be invited for regular reviews.

What is ADHD?

ADHD stands for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder and it is a neurodevelopmental condition where your brain works in a slightly different way. There are three main symptoms although not everyone has all three:

- Being Inattentive
- Being Hyperactive
- Being Impulsive

Many people manage their ADHD successfully. However, having symptoms without support can make it difficult to manage every-day life.

Find out more about ADHD: adhduk.co.uk/about-adhd/

Repeat prescriptions? ☒

Only order what you need

If you have enough medicine at home, there's no need to order now – you can request more in future.



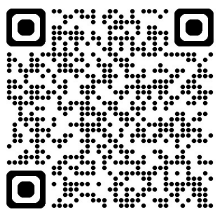
cheshireandmerseyside.nhs.uk/medicines-waste

Only Order what You Need

In November 2024, C&M ICB launched a comprehensive medicines waste reduction campaign to try and address the causes and highlight the risks of avoidable medication waste across our System.

A report by the Department of Health estimates that unused medicines cost the NHS around £300 million every year and a large amount of medicine items are wasted unnecessarily in Cheshire and Merseyside each year.

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Late/Weekend Smear Clinics

If you are struggling to fit in your smear appointment, please contact the surgery and speak to admin regarding the clinics the PCN run on a late night and weekend at Moreton Group practice and Liscard Group practice.

It is very important you have your smear when invited, should you wish to opt out please speak with admin about the process involved.