The Glenfield Surgery

Patient Participation Group



Welcome to the April 2019 edition of the PPG Newsletter

EASTER CLOSING TIMES

The surgery will be closed for Easter on Good Friday 19th April and Easter Monday 22nd April. Please ensure you have sufficient supplies of your medication. If you require medical attention when the surgery is closed please call 111.

Practice news

Healing Little Hearts (HLH) charity

Not long to go now before **Dr Chotai** joins other walkers on April 28th to take on the Leicestershire 3 Peaks challenge. This 16 miles walk takes in 3 of the highest peaks in Leicestershire, Bardon Hill, Beacon Hill and Old John in Bradgate Park. The walkers are all raising funds for the HLH charity to send doctors and nurses to some of the world's poorest countries to carry out life changing surgery on some of the thousands of babies born each year with congenital heart disease. Please give generously to this very worthwhile charity and help these babies to lead normal lives. You can donate online at <u>www.theglenfieldsurgery.co.uk</u> click on 'News' and then the Total Giving link on the next screen. If you pay income tax then by completing the short 'Gift Aid' declaration, your donation will be increased by 25% at no cost to you. A £10 donation will be increased by £2.50 by HMRC. Alternatively, you can make a donation at the surgery, please ask at reception.

The Easter hamper raffle draw will take place on 17th April.

Building Works

The building work has now been underway for 5 weeks and conversion/extension of the attic into a formal training room is the current main focus of the work.

Primary Care Network (PCN

Primary Care Networks are being introduced by the NHS and all Practices are obliged to join one. What is a PCN? it is a grouping together of a number of local Practices such that the total services and resources offered by the PCN is more than those offered by any one surgery. This will make more services available locally to all our patients. The Practices that Glenfield will be grouped with are The Limes Medical Centre, Forest House Medical Centre, Kingsway and Enderby Medical Centre. The PCN will be in place in May this year and more details will be made available as it becomes clearer how it will operate.

Staff news

A registrar, Dr M Seewoodharry, joined the practice on 3rd April and will be with us for 4 months.

PPG news

Lesley Trivett will be joining the PPG. Lesley is an advisor to the Care Quality Commission (CQC). The CQC monitor, inspect and regulate health and social care services. They are the organisation which carries out the inspection of GP's Practices. We trust that Lesley's experience will be of great value to the PPG.

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