

BARNARD HEALTH CENTRE
43 Granville Road Sidcup DA14 4TA

SURGERY TELEPHONE NUMBER
020 8302 7721

WEBSITE:
www.barnardmedicalpractice.co.uk

SURGERY OPENING TIMES:
Monday-Friday 8.00am to 6.30pm
Advance booked appointments available on Wednesday evenings 6.30pm to 8pm and Saturday mornings 8am to 12 noon

DOCTORS & THEIR SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Dr Sara Elizabeth Scott Partner
MB BS MRCPGP DRCOG DFFP Westminster Hospital (London) 1985
Musculoskeletal problems; Women's Health

Dr Holly Hutson Partner
MB BS MA (Oxon) MRCPGP DRCOG DFFP (Oxford) 1994
Mental Health problems; Diabetes

Dr Jessica Martin Partner
BMedSci BMBS DRCOG DCH MRCPGP (Nottingham) 1998
Skin problems, Asthma & COPD; Minor Surgery

Dr Tara Kharib
MBChB DFFP (Iraq) 1988
Family Planning and Women's Health

Dr Richard Scott
MB BS MRCPGP FRCS DRCOG MScIT
Musculoskeletal problems; Minor Surgery

Dr Asad Rahman
BSc MBBS MRCPCH MRCPGP Kings (London) 1991
Paediatrics

NURSE PRACTITIONERS:

Bridget McGuire
Family Planning; Cryotherapy
Julia McKeon
Family Planning; End of Life Care

CLINICS:

Antenatal Clinic
Tuesday and Thursday 14.00 - 17.40
Patients are seen by the midwife at the clinics by appointment and also by the doctors during surgery hours.

Child Health Clinics
Monday 9.30 - 10.30
Wednesday & Friday 9.30 - 11.30
At this open clinic a health visitor is available to give advice and support re: your baby/child's health, growth and development.

Asthma Clinic
This is run by the practice nurse in conjunction with the doctors, by appointment only.

Diabetic Clinic
This is run by the practice nurse in conjunction with the doctors, by appointment only.

Family Planning
Contraceptive care is provided by all the doctors during surgery hours.

Well Women Clinic
This clinic is run by the nurses and health visitors for smears, postnatal checks and discussion for women's health issues.

Minor Surgery
The doctors carry out minor surgical procedures at the surgery by appointment and they will be happy to advise you on this.

Repeat Prescriptions
These are obtainable from the doctors by either
◆ Written application allowing 48 hours notice.
◆ Fax: 020 8309 6579.
Requests for repeat prescriptions cannot be taken by telephone.

Take advantage of Bowel Cancer Screening program

The NHS is running a programme for men and women in the age range 60 to 70 to undergo screening for bowel cancer and are providing stool analysis kits for posting samples off for the results. If any patient in that age group has not yet received a kit they should call 0800 707 6060. This screening is also open to any patient over 70.

Free night out

Bexley Care Trust is delighted to say Pyramid Theatre Company are performing 'You me us' at Danson Youth Centre on the 29th March at 2:00. This play is full of warmth and humour; it takes an affectionate, compassionate and honest look at bowel cancer, highlighting the emotional, mental, physical and social issues surrounding it. This event is free of charge and would like to attend please contact Philippa James, Patient & Community Engagement Officer. Tel: 020 8298 6287 or mobile 07983 359406.

Uncertain future after PCTs

Enquiries have been made as to what impact, if any, there might be on the Barnard Medical Practice in view of the Bexley Care Trust closure. It has been confirmed that closure will be complete by the end of March. Some staff have already been made redundant while others will be retained in either the BSU (Business Support Unit) or the Sector operating team, both of which will be working alongside the GP Consortia after closure of the Primary Care Trusts. The Business Support Unit provides such functions as budgets and management plans; the Sector operating team handles contracting and would replace the corresponding staff of the PCT with a reduction in numbers.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Test Results

For test results please call the surgery telephone line between 9-11am and 4-6pm daily.

Wheel Chair Donation

We would like to thank Sylvia Pritchard for supplying a wheel chair for use of incapacitated patients when visiting the surgery.

Improved Disabled Access

The doors at the main entrance have been altered to allow ease of access to the surgery. When approached from outside the doors are automatically activated and swing outwards this is to conform with fire safety regulations. We believe this is an improvement on the previous door set-up and the committee would be very interested to hear comments from disabled patients on their suitability. There has been some concern over their suitability they open outwards.

Laptop for surgery (see page 2)

We have purchased a laptop for the surgery which will benefit all patients of the Barnard Medical Practice. It will be equipped with mobile broadband and used for accessing patient's medical notes during nursing home visits. It was purchased from money which was raised by patients who participated in the Christmas raffle.

Lost Appointments

During the month of February 259 appointments were lost due to patients not turning up. This is a waste of valuable time and resources and it would be appreciated by the practice if patients would make every effort to contact the surgery if an appointment is not required.

Barnard Newsletter

PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

Sue Griffiths presenting the Dell laptop to
Dr Jessica Martin on behalf of BarnardPPG.

