

BARNARD HEALTH CENTRE

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SURGERY TELEPHONE NUMBER:

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WEBSITE:

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SURGERY OPENING TIMES:

Monday-Friday 8.00am to 6.30pm

Wednesday until 8.00pm (one GP only)

Saturday 8.00am to 12 noon

DOCTORS:

Dr Sara Elizabeth Scott Partner

MB BS MRCGP DRCOG DFFP Westminster Hospital (London) 1985

Dr Holly Hutson Partner

MB BS MA (Oxon) MRCGP DRCOG DFFP (Oxford) 1994

Dr Jessica Martin Partner

BMedSci BMBS DRCOG DCH MRCGP (Nottingham) 1998

Dr Shri Kulkarni Partner

MB BS MS FRCS (Ed) FRCS (GI) 1985

Dr Tara Kharib

MBChB DFFP (Iraq) 1988

Dr Richard Scott

MB BS MRCGP FRCS DRCOG MSdI

NURSE PRACTITIONERS:

Bridget McGuire and Julia McKeon

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 Woman Clinics

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.

Non-NHS Examinations

The doctors are happy to carry out medicals, eg insurance and driving licence, by appointment, outside surgery hours.

Please telephone the surgery for an appointment.

Please ask the reception for the charges for these services.

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.

NHS Summary Care Records for Bexley

The NHS in England is introducing Summary Care Records as part of the NHS Care Records Service. This is to improve the safety and quality of patient care. Today, all the places where you receive care keep records about you. They can usually only share information from your records by letter, e-mail, fax or phone. At times, this can be slow and sometimes things get lost on the way. Now there will be quicker ways to get important information to NHS staff treating you, including in an emergency situation.

Over the next few months everyone living in London, (starting with Bexley, Bromley and Greenwich in the next few weeks), will be receiving a communication from the NHS outlining the proposal to record electronically a summary of your key health information which will be available to authorised health-care staff in urgent and unscheduled care settings in England. Should you be admitted to Accident and Emergency anywhere in the country a record of your medications, allergies, adverse reactions and significant medical history derived from your GP record will be able to be accessed with your permission. It will give healthcare staff faster, easier access to reliable information about you to help with your treatment.

Patients will have the choice whether to have a Summary Care Record or not but it is very important that everyone understands the risk involved in opting out of the system. For example, if you do not have a Summary Care Record and are taken into A&E, then the staff in A&E may not be able to access your current medications, allergies or bad reactions to medicines if they cannot access your Summary Care Record. The same could apply if you need a doctor

outside surgery hours.

Confidentiality will be ensured and access to records will be vetted.

The programme has already been successfully rolled out in other parts of the country.

Summary Care Records will help the NHS deliver better, safer care for patients.

Further information for patients is available on the NHS Care Records Service patient website and within the Patient Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs).

NEWS IN BRIEF

SWINE FLU: As the number of new cases has fallen to low levels, the National Swine Flu Helpline closed this week. Vaccinations are still available at the surgery: highest priority groups are pregnant women, any child between 6 months and 5 years of age, adults with any chronic diseases (including those affecting lung, heart, kidney, liver) and carers. Healthy people aged over 65 are low priority as they have some natural immunity. For details of availability, contact the surgery or www.hpa.org.uk for further information.

NOROVIRUS (Winter Vomiting Virus): There have been outbreaks of this viral gastroenteritis bug at several local hospitals and residential homes. Nausea, vomiting and diarrhoea typically occur with sudden onset and lasts 1-2 days. Usual advice is to stay at home, drink extra fluids and wash hands to prevent further spread. Advice about treatment for both of the above can still be sought by ringing the surgery, NHS direct or GRABADOC.

DR RICHARD SCOTT has taken over from Dr Milne. He has an interest in orthopaedics and joint injections.