



Dr Dickson to Retire

Dr David Dickson is retiring from the partnership in December 2013.

He started at Wetmore Road Surgery in October 1982 and has been Senior Partner since 1994.

He asked for the following statement to be shared with patients:

“General Practice has changed considerably over this time and I have been pleased to see the surgery develop into the organisation it is today.

“It has been an honour for me to care for many patients over these years and I wish my patients a very fond farewell”.

His last working day at the Surgery will be 19th November.

He will continue his work on the Local Medical Committee and carry out locum GP sessions in the area.



Vaccinations

Nasal Flu Vaccine—Children Aged 2 & 3

This year there is a national campaign to immunise all children aged 2 and 3 (dates of birth on or between 2/9/2009 to 1/9/2011). This will be a nasal vaccination, rather than an injection, providing this is suitable for your child. Invitations are being sent out now.



Shingles

This year everyone aged 70 and 79 will be offered a shingles vaccine (dates of birth on or between 2/9/1942 and 1/9/1943, or on or between 2/9/1933 and 1/9/1934). Invitations will be sent to patients for this. This vaccination can help to prevent shingles, or at least to reduce the severity of symptoms and complications afterwards.

Seasonal Flu Vaccines

These are now in stock. Please book your appointment to be vaccinated against flu if you are 65 or over, or in an at risk group.

Pneumonia

Patients aged 65 or over are entitled to this vaccine. Please book your appointment if you haven't already had it.



Starters and Leavers

Helen Black — our Health Care Assistant, is moving on to pastures new from 20th September.



Jane Wall — our Practice Manager for several years, left at the end of May and we will be welcoming **Rob Paton** into the role on 1st October. Rob has been Practice Manager at The Tutbury Practice for 8 years.

Kirsty McMeechan — joined our Reception team in June.

Dr Aleksandra Gerasimenko — started at the Surgery in August. She is a Trainee Doctor who will be with us for 4 months in order to gain experience as a GP.

Congratulations to Sisters Gill Boast, Rosie Partridge and Tina Stretton, who have all been working in the NHS for 35 years. They don't look old enough!

Stoptober



You can get help to stop smoking at any time by making an appointment with one of our Practice Nurses, but October is a great time to do it.

By joining the 'Stoptober' national campaign, you can get additional help and support. If you can give up smoking for 28 days, you are 5 times more likely to stop for good.

For more information, pick up a leaflet from the Surgery reception area, or look at the Stoptober website:

www.stoptober.smokefree.nhs.uk

Good Luck!



Opening Times

Monday - Friday*
8.00am-6.00pm

*Closed Thursday lunchtime from 12:30 pm until 1:30 pm, plus one afternoon per month for staff training.

Speaking to a Doctor

If you wish to speak to any of the doctors then the best time to contact them is between 11.00 am and 12.00 pm each weekday.

Contact Details:

The Surgery
12 Wetmore Road
Burton-on-Trent
DE14 1SL

Tel: 01283 564848

Fax: 01283 569416

Web-address: www.wetmoreroadsurgery.co.uk

Using the Wetmore Road Surgery Website and Email

Every week we receive a number of emails from patients asking for clinical advice.

At the present time we do not offer an advice service via email or the website.

You can request repeat prescriptions and make appointments on the website, via EMIS access.



The website address is:

www.wetmoreroadsurgery.co.uk