

Bosworth PCN Newsletter

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Welcome to the first Bosworth PCN newsletter!

In this Quarterly Publication we will highlight key achievements, news and information for practices within the Bosworth PCN, to keep all patients informed of what is happening in their surgeries.

If you have any suggestions on what you would like to see in this newsletter please contact: Anita Beeby: anita.beeby@nhs.net

What is a PCN?

To meet the needs of patients, GP practices are working together with community, mental health, social care, pharmacy, hospital and voluntary services in their local areas in groups of practices known as primary care networks (PCNs).

These surgeries work together to provide proactive, personalised care that is valued and makes a difference to local patients and staff.

Our PCN comprises of four surgeries: Desford Medical Practice, Ratby Surgery, Heath Lane Surgery and Newbold Verdon Medical Practice.

This Youtube video explains simply what a PCN is, how it benefits the NHS and ultimately patients. To view, click the following link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W19DtEsc8Ys

A message from the clinical Director—Dr James Ogle

Welcome to the Newsletter. I have been a GP Partner at Ratby Medical Centre since 2015 and I have worked within WLCCG on urgent care and prescribing leaving to become the clinical director for HBMA and Bosworth PCN in 2019. Our four practices sit within the eastern part of the district and whilst of differing sizes, we work to ensure that our practice populations have access to services to support their health needs, with massive support from HBMA.

Our practices recognise that our local geography is important and that the majority of our patients need to travel to a larger setting such as Leicester City which is getting harder and harder for a lot of our patients for a variety of reasons unless we can work together to ensure that services are available locally either within each practice or between us. Our practices also value working as part of the Federation on schemes such as Enhanced Access which providers thousands of appointments for our patients every year, but we couldn't without HBMA to support us to do so, but neither could we without the support from all of our clinical and non clinical staff to run these services. We hope to continue to improve and extend the offer that we have for patients and practices to continue to develop with patients in mind.

Who can I see other than a GP?

The PCN currently employs numerous additional healthcare professionals that are accessible to patients, who can assist patients in getting the care that they require without the need of seeing a GP. This allows GP's to dedicate their valuable time to those who really need it, so everybody involved gets the healthcare they deserve. Here are just a few of the healthcare professionals that are available within your surgery:

Clinical Pharmacists —Our Clinical Pharmacists clinically assess & treat our patients using their expert knowledge of medicine. They work alongside the team to undertake Medication Reviews and promote health, wellness and disease prevention.





Mental Health Practitioners—Our Mental Health Practitioners help promote mental and physical wellbeing as well as treating mental health problems effectively through evidence based psychological / pharmacological approaches.

Social Prescribers—Our Social Prescribers connect people to community groups and agencies for practical and emotional support. They complement other approaches such as care navigation and active sign-posting, helping patients in difficult social situations get the help they need.



If you feel that you would benefit from the help of one of the above healthcare professionals, please contact your surgery to see how you can be connected. In some instances, when you call for a GP appointment the receptionist may sign-post you to the appropriate clinician.



A new social space at Sport in Desford, connecting people to improve their wellbeing by building social networks and friendship along with accessing information and guidance.

EMPOWERING YOUR WELLBEING

STARTING ON APRIL 25TH

TIME :10AM - 11.30AM

4TH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH:

25TH APRIL 23RD MAY 27TH JUNE 25TH JULY 22ND AUGUST 26TH SEPTEMBER

> Location: Desford Wellbeing Connect Sport in Desford The Flying Fields Peckleton Lane Desford Leicestershire. LE9 9JU



Need an appointment, but have work or other commitments?

The Bosworth PCN is proud to offer an enhanced access service for our patients. The Enhanced Access Service makes it easier for you to get an appointment at a time that suits you including evenings and weekends. The service offers pre-bookable (up to two weeks in advance), routine primary care appointments with our clinicians, out of The Centre Surgery and Newbold Verdon Medical Practice Monday to Saturday. We offer appointments, with a range of staff members, these include; General Medical Practitioners (GP), Nurses, Advanced Nurse Practitioners (ANP), and Health Care Assistant's (HCA). We offer additional clinics such as Bloods, Smears, Implants and Coils.

The Centre Surgery Hinckley Health Centre, Hill Street, Hinckley, LE10 1DS

Appointments Available:

Tuesday & Thursday 7am - 8am Blood tests

> Saturday AM Blood tests

Monday to Friday 6:30pm – 8pm GP, ANP (Advanced Nurse Practitioner) and Pharmacist

Saturday 8am-5pm GP, ANP, Nurse and other clinicians are available.

Newbold Verdon Medical Practice

St Georges Close, Newbold Verdon, Leicestershire, LE9 9PZ

Appointments Available:

Saturday 8am – 5pm GP, ANP, and other clinicians are available.

> Saturday AM Nurse

Saturday AM Blood tests





To book an appointment in the enhanced access clinic, call the reception team at your usual surgery.