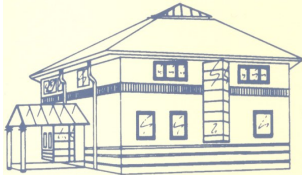


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TRAINING DAYS

Wed 12 March
Tue 1 April
Wed 14 May

GLMC will be closed from 1pm until the following morning at 8am to allow for staff training.

***In an emergency
please telephone
NHS 111***



***Hayley Brassington
Business Director
Spring 2025***

RSV Vaccinations

A new campaign has started this year for Respiratory Syncytial Virus. (RSV) A virus that affects the lungs and cause pneumonia. A vaccination is now being offered to Pregnant Ladies and patients aged 75-79. Invites will continue to go out to patients and where as the larger clinics we ran at the end of 2024 have concluded we are still booking patients into our normal scheduled nurse clinics.

If you think you are eligible but haven't received an invitation please speak to reception.

EASTER OPENING HOURS

The practice will be **closed** over Easter on:

FRIDAY 18 April 2025

Monday 21 April 2025

We will remain open as normal on all other working days 8.00am-6.30pm. If during our closure you need urgent medical assistance that cannot wait until the practice re-opens please dial NHS 111.

We wish all our patients a lovely Easter!

SPRING COVID BOOSTERS

Our winter COVID boosters concluded on 31 January 2025. Thank you to everyone who attended the clinics and for the positive feedback.

We will also be commencing spring COVID boosters in April 2025. This will be for any patients who are 75 or over (including those who are 75 as of 30 June 2025) and patients aged over 6 months who are immunosuppressed. Invites will be sent out over the coming months. There are no confirmed clinic dates as of yet, we are still in the planning stages, however, these are likely to be mid-week clinics.

PATIENT Champion Meeting

The Patient Champions Group allows patients to engage with the practice and become more involved.

The next meeting will be 5 June 2025 at Northgate Village Surgery.

If you would like to join the next meeting, please contact
pcnchestercentral@nhs.net



STAFF UPDATE

Dr Moe Moe Thu will be finishing on Tuesday 25th February to commence her Maternity Leave. She will be off for 12 months. We have a locum Doctor, Dr Lourdes Blanquez-Arjona covering during this time.

Patient Champions

Are you passionate about improving healthcare experiences for everyone—patients, doctors and staff? Patient Champions are volunteers who work with the GP practices within Chester Central PCN, to support patients. Everyone over the age of 16 is welcome!

Our Patient Champions Group is a committed team of individuals passionate about creating positive change. Your experiences are valuable and you could help to make a difference. By sharing your ideas, you can help us improve existing services, explore alternatives or enhance our current practices. Patient Champions can help optimise resources, reduce costs and enhance service delivery. Additionally, you'll gain a deeper understanding of the NHS and have the opportunity to gather feedback from other patients.

We meet quarterly and discuss different ideas for enhancing care and services. We understand everyone's busy schedules, so our meetings are not too frequent, ensuring your time commitment is manageable. If you can't make it in-person? No problem! Join our virtual group. Whether you're juggling work, caregiving responsibilities or other commitments, you can still stay informed, share your thoughts and actively contribute to our Patient Champion Group.

We highly value your input! While we may not be able to implement every suggestion, we believe that every idea is crucial to our collective success. Join us in creating a positive impact on healthcare!

Your voice matters!

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