



## NEWSLETTER - JUNE 2024

### Oakley Health Group - A Training Practice

The Oakley Health Group is a training practice, this means we host several qualified doctors who are training to be GPs. They are often called GP Registrars. We also host student nurses, paramedics and other health care professionals who spend time with us at the surgery as part of their university courses.

At present we are training some of our own Practice Nurses to see adult patients with minor illnesses. This will help us provide more same day appointments for conditions such as chest infections or tonsillitis. Once they have seen a patient, they will need to discuss the plan they have made with the Duty GP to make sure it is appropriate, and the Duty GP will need to prescribe any medication required such as antibiotics.

Training the GPs of the future is hugely important and the best way for them to learn is to take an active part in consulting with patients in a GP surgery. They are closely supervised by fully trained and accredited supervising GPs. Having GP Registrars also helps us to offer more face to face and telephone appointments and the waiting times for these are often shorter than for our contracted GPs.

The Oakley Health Group sometimes hosts Foundation Level 2 Doctors (FY2) who can provide face to face appointments. These doctors have worked for at least a year in hospitals and are working for the first time in a GP setting so they will often need to discuss consultations with their supervisors. They have longer appointments than other doctors at the surgery.


Once a doctor has decided to train as a GP, they enter a 3-year training programme. This is called the GP Vocational Training Scheme (GPVTS). Part of their training is to video their consultations so these can be watched back with supervisors to provide feedback on their performance. A consultation will never be recorded without consent and a patient can say no to having a consultation recorded.

GPVTS year 1-2 have more experience than an FY2 and some will have a large amount of experience in other specialisms within medicine. They will see patients face to face and have telephone appointments and will need to seek advice from their supervisors at times.

GPVTS year 3 usually spend a whole year in the same GP practice. By the end of the year, they will be working as a fully qualified GP with similar appointment times as the contracted GPs. They may occasionally need to ask for advice from their supervisor. As part of their final year, they undertake a clinic examination, this is an online video consultation. To help them prepare for this they do some online video consultations with our patients.

I thank you for your support in our training efforts.

Dr Jamie Buxton  
GP Partner and Training & Supervision Lead.



**WALK-IN CERVICAL SCREENING CLINIC**  
**SATURDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JUNE 9.00am – 10.30am**

Please come along to our walk-in cervical screening clinic at Yateley Medical Centre, we will book appointments as you arrive, until the clinic is full.


You are eligible if:

- You received an invitation letter from NHS
- Aged 25–49 & not had a smear in 3 years
- Aged 50-64 & not had a smear in 5 years

If you are unable to attend, we have appointments available at all 3 sites, call reception to book one.

**5 MINUTES THAT MATTER**  
 CERVICAL SCREENING SAVES LIVES

Oakley Health Group



**CERVICAL SCREENING AWARENESS WEEK**  
**17<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> June**

Please come along to the Oakley Health Group

Walk-in Cervical Screening Clinic  
 Yateley Medical Centre

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June  
 9.00am - 10.30am

The Clinic on the 15<sup>th</sup> May was well attended & Sister Naish was able to complete 7 smears tests on the day.

**ARMED FORCES DAY**  
**29<sup>th</sup> June**

The purpose of the “I said I served” campaign is to encourage veterans to let their GP practice know they have served in the UK Armed Forces.

It does not matter how long someone served for or when they left the Armed Forces, veterans should inform their GP, as it may be relevant to their health and care, now or in the future.

No one who has served in the Armed Forces should face disadvantage and, in specific circumstances, can get special consideration. Veterans are entitled to priority access to NHS care for service-related conditions.

The Veterans lead at the Oakley Health Group is our Paramedic Practitioner Frank O’Connell.



**THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING**

“THE SMALLEST ACT OF KINDNESS IS WORTH MORE THAN THE GRANDEST INTENTION.”  
 - OSCAR WILDE



**VOLUNTEERS WEEK**  
**1<sup>st</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> June**

The Oakley Health Group would like to thank all the volunteers who gave their time to come and help at the recent Covid Spring Booster Vaccination Clinics.

If you are considering volunteering, please let us know by emailing [frimleyicb.ohg.communications@nhs.net](mailto:frimleyicb.ohg.communications@nhs.net) and include the title “Volunteer” or take a look at the Volunteer North Hampshire website.

[Volunteer North Hampshire](https://volunteernorthhants.org/)  
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**The Oakley Health Group will be **CLOSED****

**from **12.30pm - 6.30pm** on**

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

**for essential staff training organised by Frimley ICB**

**Local doctors & nurses will be working, if you need urgent medical advice when we are closed call the **NHS 111** service**

**Urgent treatment, walk-in and minor injury centres will be open**

**A&E or 999 only for those who are seriously injured or critically ill**

# PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP UPDATES

The PPG Committee was formed a few years ago to create a liaison between patients and the Oakley Health Group. Bimonthly the PPG Committee meets to discuss issues, concerns, questions, answers and put forward new ideas so that the practice can understand things from a patient's point of view. These issues are then taken to a full PPG meeting which involves practice team members the following month.

As part of the virtual PPG (patients registered at the Oakley Health Group), you are welcome to bring to us any concerns or issues that you have with the practice, such as:

- What is your experience with Anima?
- Do you know why the surgery is using Anima?
- What do you think could be improved in the service provided by the surgery?
- Did you attend the booster clinics - what was your experience?
- Did you know you can send in a question that perhaps we can answer?

We would like to encourage all patients to get involved.

If you want to contact any member of the PPG committee, please email us at [frimleyicb.ohg.communications@nhs.net](mailto:frimleyicb.ohg.communications@nhs.net) and include the title "PPG".



If you would like to give the Patient Participation Group (PPG) your feedback, email [frimleyicb.ohg.communications@nhs.net](mailto:frimleyicb.ohg.communications@nhs.net) & include the title "PPG"