

Allen Street Clinic News

Latest news and bulletin updates

Happy New Year!

We thought it would be nice to keep everyone updated on some of the things that have taken place or will be taking place here at the surgery, so we will try and put together a regular newsletter to post both on our website and FB page.

First of all, we would like to thank you for all your kind gifts (especially those one's of the sweet kind! 😊), that we received over the festive period! They have certainly been appreciated!

So, what's been happening here????

We are proud to report that we are having a very successful turnout to our flu vaccination programme this season. Here are a few stats for you 'number crunchers' out there:

- Over 65-year-olds = 98%
- Under 65-year-olds = 93%
- Child Flus = 82%

We are currently sitting at the number one slot in our area, for vaccinations given to patients registered with us.



'Whataya guys cryin' about? It's just a little flu shot'

It's the first year that we have opened up the surgery to vaccinate on a Saturday morning. Although there were a few issues with queues and car parking, we felt on the whole the morning was a success and we will be better prepared for next season. The biggest lesson we learnt was that we will need to stagger our clinic times so that our eager patients who turn up earlier than their allotted time don't bottle neck the queue!



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The scoop of the day

We would like to welcome you all to our new Practice Nurse!

Some of you may have already met Cheryl our new Practice Nurse who joined us at the end of November. She has a wealth of experience and has a Queen's Nurse Award. Cheryl will be seeing patients for all of your nursing needs on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and working behind the scenes on Thursday mornings.

Bon Voyage.....

On a sadder note, we will be waving goodbye to our Salaried GP Dr Frances Burra at the end of the month. She came to us in September 2018 after being a Partner for many years at a Practice in Stafford. During her time here she has built up a good working rapport with the patients here in Cheadle and has been an asset to the Practice. Dr Burra will be hanging up her stethoscope and taking retirement to spend more time in her garden and enjoying being with her family.



And Au Revoir.....

We will also be bidding farewell to Rita, at the end of March, our long-standing Practice Nurse of 34 years. I am sure Rita could tell you many stories of how much the Practice has evolved since joining in 1988 when she first came to work alongside Dr Craven and the founders of Allen Street Clinic.

All the Team at Allen Street would like to take this opportunity to say a **BIG THANK YOU!** to Rita for her dedication, commitment and support over the years and wish her a long and happy retirement.

Dr Burra and Rita will both be very much missed by everyone!



Training our Future Medics

We are approved trainers for GP Registrars, fully qualified doctors specialising in General Practice. Their 6 - 12 month attachment involves all aspects of GP work. You may be seen in the surgery or at home and can be the on-call duty doctor. On some occasions we may ask your permission to record your consultation. We also have medical students and we will always ask your permission if they need to be present in your consultation.

Working Together with our Neighbouring Practices

We also have other staff working with us who are part of our Moorlands and Rural Primary Care Network. Some of you may be familiar with our Pharmacy Technician, Health and Wellbeing Coaches, First Contact Physio, Care Co-Ordinators, Counsellors, Mental Health Professional and Social Prescribing Link Work who are delivering additional services to help you take part in the management of your own health and wellbeing.

