

WILLINGHAM & LONGSTANTON SURGERIES

Reception Tel: Willingham 01954 260230 Longstanton 207600 Dispensary 260073

District Nurse Team: 01223 726469 Option 2 Health Visitors: 01954 207612

Out of hours cover: Ring 111 Website: www.willinghammedicalpractice.nhs.uk



Summer holidays If you are travelling abroad this year do remember to book your appointment with the nurse 4-6 weeks before you travel to allow enough time to complete your travel vaccination course. If you are unsure whether you will need cover you can book a telephone appointment with a nurse who will ask where you are travelling and check your vaccination record.



Sun screen Wherever you are enjoying the summer months please take care of your skin in the sun. It is so important for everyone but especially for our young ones. Please ask our pharmacy staff for advice. We have a full range of sun screen products to suit everyone.



On line services Please ring to register for on line appointment booking and prescription ordering. Once you have registered you will be able to view, book and cancel your appointments on line with either the doctor or nurse and can also order your repeat prescriptions.



Telephone requests for repeat prescriptions If you prefer to order your medication by phone please ring 01954 260073 and not the pharmacy telephone. Many thanks.



Carers Support Meeting The next meeting is on Wed 10th June 2.00-4.30pm at Willingham Surgery. Ring our Karen at the surgery for details. Lesley from the Carers Trust and Tracey from the Village Benefits Scheme will be there as usual to tell you about the support available and to help you fill in claim forms. Special feature this month: Tastings of Wiltshire Farms ready-made meals which can be delivered to your own home.



Hearing Help Service (formerly CAMTAD) Next dates Wed 17th June and Wed 15th July 2-4pm at Willingham Surgery. No need for an appointment. Get your NHS hearing aid batteries and advice.



Community services Some of you may know that the adult community care services and care of the elderly services will now be provided by Uniting Care Partnership (UCP). The District Nursing Team for this area will continue to be based at Willingham Medical Practice and they will carry on visiting housebound patients in their own homes as before. Their contact number has not changed: 01223 712469 (local rate). The Child and Family Team (Health Visitors) will still be based at Longstanton Branch Surgery and will continue to visit families and hold local clinics. Their telephone number is 01954 207612. Community midwives will continue to hold antenatal clinics in local surgeries. The local Ivy Midwife Team contact number is 01223 596212.



Thank you from Cynthia My thanks to all the patients and colleagues who have wished me well in my retirement. I have been very touched by your kind words. I am leaving the practice after 44 years with very mixed emotions. I am not sorry to be escaping from all the bureaucracy and the government initiatives and targets, but I will miss our patients and the brilliant team and colleagues I have worked with over the years. I hope that general practice and the "family doctor" principles that we have worked so hard to preserve can survive in the uncertain future for the NHS.

New Management Team Please give your support to Sarah Thompson, Helen Retallick and Sharon Unwin who will be taking the practice forward in these difficult times for the NHS. I am confident that all the members of our fantastic practice team will do their very best to maintain our family doctor service and the core values of the NHS which we all believe in so strongly.

Cynthia Bidwell – Practice Manager – June 2015