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NHS THE BEST

Figures circulated recently show the costs of regular services we use which are provided by our NHS. We can often take the NHS for granted and not question our entitlement to treatment 'from the cradle to the grave'. However, as with any service there is always an accompanying cost. The chart above gives us an idea of the cost of the regular services we all make use of.

The costs shown bring home how important it is to use our NHS wisely, responsibly and efficiently. Where appropriate, a visit to a walk in centre or a GP visit will be much more economical than a visit to A & E.....and will take up much less patient time!

Furthermore, it illustrates the importance of ensuring we do not waste appointments by failing to turn up without cancelling beforehand. If you cannot attend please let the surgery know. At the Village Surgery in April there were 104 'did not attend' appointments'.

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR NHS?

Do you know how much the following services cost the NHS? Have a guess and then check with the information on page 3.

The Average prescription.....?

A GP appointment.....?

A district nurse visit.....?

A GP Home visit.....?

A visit to A & E.....?

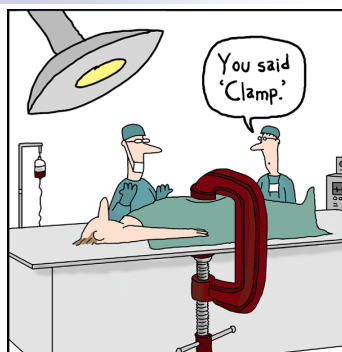
An ambulance carriage.....?

The average inpatient stay.....?



= £ ??

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Extended Access Appointments: Evenings and weekends



Leo Clare, a member of our PPG, recently attended a Locality meeting and reported back on the start of a new initiative in booking extended GP Appointments.

The scheme offers extra appointments for patients at local hubs at times more convenient especially for working patients. Bradwell is the nearest hub for the Village Surgery and now offers appointments in the evenings and at weekends but patients can be booked in to any hub. The times for the extended access will be as below:

From Sept '18 the hubs at The Haywood, Hanley, and Leek Moorlands:

Monday to Friday	4pm to 8pm
Saturday	9am to 4pm
Sunday (Hanley only as yet)	9am to 1pm.

Longton Cottage starts from November 2018.

Your Good Health !

The Sentinel local newspaper publishes a range of articles about health and well being that are well worth reading. Their Health and Lifestyle features include 'Ask the Doctor' pieces as well as general tips for a healthy life.....



Patients wanting an extended access appointment should ring their GP surgery and book an appointment at a convenient, available time. There will be 2 GPs and supporting administrative and nursing staff in the hubs. Patients have to consent to the duty GP accessing their medical records. It is possible to book a same day appointment if there is one available.

It is expected from past experience that extended access appointments will be popular especially with working patients.

The 111 Urgent Care and the Emergency Out of Hours services will not be affected by this new initiative and will continue to operate along side one another.

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Please don't ask for over-the-counter medicines like paracetamol and ibuprofen on prescription

Your local NHS spends around £1.3m each year on medicines which are easily available in local pharmacies and shops.

This could pay for:



211

MORE hip operations or



1,380

MORE cataract operations or



91

MORE treatments for breast cancer or



43

MORE community nurses

The NHS belongs to you, use it responsibly.

If you are a patient who needs these drugs in regular large quantities, don't worry - you can continue to get them on repeat prescription.

By visiting your pharmacy you will help to free up valuable GP and nurse time, which can be used to deal with more complex or serious health needs.

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ANNUAL FLU JAB

FREE NHS FLU JABS
for at risk groups

Pregnant?

Over 65?

Weakened Immune System?

Asthmatic?

Carer?

Health Condition?

Heart Disease?

If you have any of the above you could be entitled to a

FREE FLU JAB



Speak to your Pharmacist Today !



Pharmacy London

The Voice of London Community Pharmacy Committees



It's that time of year again, folks! It's autumn and so it's flu jab time. If you are entitled to a 'flu jab' please ensure you arrange to have it as soon as possible. Ask when the flu clinic will be. It does make a difference.

NHS Costs:

How near were your estimates from Page 1?



Meet The Village Surgery

PRACTICE TEAM

Doctors: Dr S T Manian Dr M Arora Dr W. Abbasi Dr H Khan Dr Dikpati.

Nursing team: Ann Oakley, Paula Bourne, Sarah Lightfoot (Practice Nurses)
Lynn Williams (Health care assistant)

Practice Manager: Christine Payne Assistant Manager: Lesley Durose

Reception/Admin: Joy, Jayne, Linda, Neelam, Katie
Caroline, Elizabeth

Prescription Clerk /
Admin Assistant: Sandra. Practice Secretary: Tracy

DOCTORS....

The Village Surgery has been very fortunate in have the services of two registrars practising under the guidance of Dr Abassi. They are both qualified doctors being mentored by Dr Abassi. Dr Khan leaves us in December as a qualified GP after his time at the Village Surgery as a Registrar.

Dr Khan grew up and qualified as a doctor in Karachi, Pakistan. has worked in Canada and Buxton but now regards England and in particular North Staffs as home. He set out to become a doctor to work for people in his own country and to put something back into the community. After experiencing A & E he felt he wanted to become a GP and has since been mentored by Dr Abassi for nearly three years.

We thank Dr Khan for serving as one of our doctors for the past 12 months and wish him well in his future career.

We welcome Dr Dikpati as a new registrar at the Village Surgery.

