



Chopwell Primary Health Care Centre

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Information on help provided by the Gateshead council to live healthy is on page 2.

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EPS (Electronic Prescription Service) came in to force in June 2015.

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Practice Opening Hours:

Mon 9am – 6pm
(6:30pm – 7:15pm Extended hours)
Tues 9am – 6pm
Wed 9am – 6pm
Thurs 9am – 1pm
Fri 9am – 1pm & 2pm – 6pm

We may be closed half day for training purposes one day every month:

Possible training dates:

9th June 2015, 8th July 2015, 22nd Sept 2015, 7th Oct 2015, 12th Nov, 16th Jan 2015, 25th Feb 2016, 8th Mar 2016

Newsletter

NHS Health Check

Every one of us is at risk of developing heart disease, stroke, diabetes, kidney disease and some form of dementia. The good news is that these conditions can be often prevented, even if you have a family

history of them. An NHS Health Check can help you by assessing your risk of developing health problems and giving you personalized advice on how to reduce the risk of developing these problems in the future. The NHS Health Check involves a few straightforward health test e.g. blood pressure and cholesterol tests and some simple questions about your medical history. Take charge of your long – term health, with NHS Health Check and book your appointment with one of our Practice Nurse today by contacting our reception team either by calling in at the surgery, online or by telephone. This appointment will take approximately 20 minutes.

Free NHS Health Check

Helping you prevent heart disease, stroke, diabetes and kidney disease.

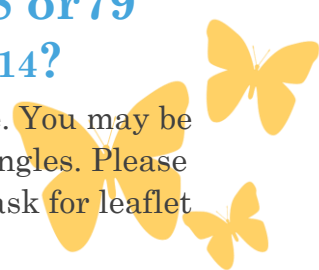


Are you and unpaid carer?

Do you care for someone who cannot manage on his or her own because of an illness or frailty, or who is suffering from a physical or mental disability or from substance abuse? If you are providing a significant amount of care directly to that person, without any payment, you are a carer! You have access to a whole range of support, from practical help in providing care to personal support in solving problems. As a carer you are entitled to a free assessment of your situation. Please ask at reception or visit: <http://www.chopwellmedicalpractice.nhs.uk/patient-information/are-you-a-carer/>

Were you aged 70, 78 or 79 on 1st of September 2014?

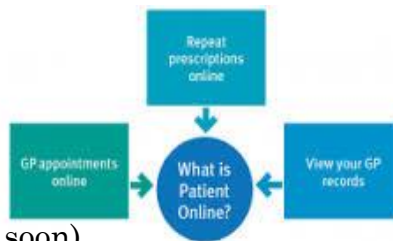
Don't let shingles become a burning issue. You may be eligible to receive vaccination against shingles. Please ask your GP and your Practice Nurse or ask for leaflet at the reception, you can also visit www.shingleaware.co.uk for more information.



Online Patient Services

- Beat the phone queues
- Online 24 hours a day
- Special blocked appointments for online booking only
- Repeat prescriptions
- Access to your medical records
- Electronic Prescription (coming soon)

For further information please contact the reception or visit



Live well Gateshead

Live well Gateshead offers everyone full health and wellbeing assessment, which may take place on phone or face to face. It takes 20 minute complete, and focuses on range of health and wellbeing measures.

They can help you develop a personal action plan to help you achieve your goals including:

- Stop smoking support
- Alcohol awareness
- Healthy eating
- Being more active
- Improving confidence

They can provide individual, group or family support can help you access other services including:

- Debt Management
- Housing advice
- Employment services
- Community groups
- Volunteering opportunities

They are open 7 days a week, Contact them on 0800 014 9092.

You and your long term condition

If you answer “yes” to any of these questions, then a new way of delivering care is likely to help. “Care Planning” aims to help people with long term conditions to be more informed and more involved in making decisions about their own care.

So you might find your clinic appointments arranged a little differently to help you be more involved and this is part of Care Planning.

You can also get more information from the Year of Care website: www.yearofcare.co.uk

THE FLU COMING SOON TO YOUR TOWN



The Department of Health recommends vaccination for following ‘at risk’ groups as well as healthcare professionals.

The free vaccination is offered to the following ‘at risk’ groups:

- Adults over 65.
- Those aged 6 months – 65 years in clinical risk groups – e.g. patients with long term (chronic) or underlying conditions.
- Pregnant women.
- All 2, 3 and 4 year olds (at these ages on the 31/08/2015)
- Those in long-stay residential care homes.
- Carers.

Some children of primary school age will also be offered a flu vaccination at school.