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**PATIENT NEWSLETTER**  
**SUMMER 2014**

**CAR PARKING**

We regret to inform patients that, as of March this year, it will no longer be possible for patients to park in the surgery car park. This is due to overwhelming demand and the need for unobstructed access to the car park at all times, for both Doctors and Ambulances. Thank you for your cooperation.

**FLU JABS**

It's that time of year again! Please call the surgery to book in for a flu vaccination.

The clinic times are:

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2-4pm  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2-4pm  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2-4pm  
Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2-4pm  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October 8.30am-12pm  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2-4pm  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2-4pm

**BLOOD TESTS**

Please ring the surgery 4 working days after the test to check your results. We do not routinely phone patients with their results, if the results are normal.

**PLAS MEDDYG SURGERY WEBSITE**

[www.plasmeddygsurgery.com](http://www.plasmeddygsurgery.com)

Please refer to our website as this gives up to date information. If you would like any other information to be available on our website, please let us know.

**Dr McCarthy**

It is with great sadness that we announce the retirement of Dr Richard McCarthy on the grounds of ill health. He passes on his best wishes to all patients at Plas Meddyg surgery.

I am sure you will join us in wishing Dr McCarthy all the best in his retirement and the surgery is more than happy to pass on any good wishes you may have.

**VISION ONLINE SERVICES**

This service enables you to book and cancel Doctors appointments online and to request *repeat* medications online. Further online services will be made available in the future.

Please note: You will need to fill in a registration form – available via the website, and in the surgery.

**PATIENTS OVER 75**

As of April 2014 all patients aged 75 and over will be allocated a GP. Your allocated GP will have overall responsibility for the care and support that our surgery provides to you. However, this does not prevent you from seeing any GP in the Practice, as you currently do. It also does not mean that you have to see this GP each time you visit the surgery, as this will not always be possible.

**GP REGISTRARS**

We would like to say farewell to Dr Christine Furness, we wish her all the very best in the future and we welcome our new GP Registrar, Dr. Michael Smith who will be with us for a year.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS**

If you are on medication for high blood pressure you need to have your BP checked once a year. Please make an appointment at reception. Anybody ages 40-75 should have their BP checked every five years.

**TRAVEL VACCINATIONS**

Please make sure you have all your travel vaccinations up to date. Please allow enough time before travelling to complete the vaccinations courses. The vaccinations will be given by our Practice Nurses, and as they are very busy please make sure you book in with enough time to complete the vaccination courses.

For general travel advice, please visit our website.

**REPEAT PRESCRIPTIONS**

If you are going on holiday and need to have your medications earlier than normal, please put a note to this effect on your repeat.

**NHS CHOICES**

There is a website ([www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk)) where you can leave positive notes about our service.