

COOMBE MEDICAL PRACTICE

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Summer Newsletter 2022

Coronavirus

For current advice and updates on COVID, please visit

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19>

Data

Please inform us by email if you or your family members change address or telephone/email contact details.

Prescriptions update

Repeat prescription requests should be sent by email (by the individual); it would be appreciated if at least two weeks' notice is given. We need to check the medical records to see whether the medication is intended to be repeated; whether a blood pressure or blood test is required; and to ensure safe clinical monitoring.

Patients over the age of sixteen should send their request from their own email address.

Flu and travel vaccines

We can give advice and administer travel immunisations. Call Roopal and she will email you a travel form for you to complete. Autumn/Winter is approaching... If you would like a Flu vaccination, please call the Practice to reserve your vaccination.

General health

Please ensure that you and your family are fully protected and up to date with vaccinations eg routine childhood immunisations, HPV (Gardasil), Meningitis B, Meningitis ACWY etc. If in doubt please telephone us.

We can perform blood tests to check general health, cholesterol levels, diabetes etc.

We encourage all men over the age of 50, or if they have a family history of prostate cancer, to have a PSA blood test to screen for prostate cancer. Women should have regular cervical smears; and from the age of 50 a mammogram every 3 years. Earlier screening is important if there is a family history. Please call to book appointments.

Appointments

It would be much appreciated if you could contact us if you no longer require an appointment. That allows us to offer it to someone else. A fee is charged for missed appointments, and for those cancelled less than six hours.

Some patients have tried to contact me via the pager during office hours or when I am not on call. Please always call the landline (0208 605 0044) first. The message will inform you who is on call and the appropriate number to call. Colleague doctors may be on call.

Wishing you all a relaxing Summer.