

# PRACTICE NEWSLETTER

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## Patient Participation Group Meetings

The PPG is a group of patients and practice staff who meet at regular intervals to decide ways of making a positive contribution to the services offered by the Practice.

Please join us for our next meeting at the Health Centre, Bradford on Avon, at 7pm

- ◆ Tuesday 19th September 2017 - Kidney disease talk
- ◆ Tuesday 5th December 2017 - Arthritis talk

For more information please visit our website: [www.boamhp.co.uk](http://www.boamhp.co.uk)



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## Young People Friendly Award

Public Health have awarded the Practice with the national quality mark for Young People Friendly.

Huge congratulations to Kirsty Tripp, our Young People Friendly Representative, for achieving this award and for all those that helped Kirsty with this project.

The assessors were pleased to see that the Practice is making every effort to ensure young people receive an accessible and supportive service.



**young people friendly**

## Dr Nell Wyatt - Sabbatical News

The Practice would like to announce that Dr Nell Wyatt will be taking a years' sabbatical from early August 2017 to take part as Crew Member and boat Medic in the Round the World Clipper Race.



The Race starts on August 20<sup>th</sup> 2017 setting sail from Liverpool and whilst sailing 40,000 miles across all the major oceans of the world, Dr Wyatt expects to encounter every type of weather and sailing conditions from storms and huge waves to calm seas and (hopefully) a bit of sunshine! She aims to cross the finish line on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2018 planning to return to work as full time Partner in mid-August 2018.

## Surgery Awarded Gold for Carer's

Since 2011, the Surgery has been working closely with Carer Support Wiltshire & Wiltshire Council to help raise awareness for Carers and to create a new 'Wiltshire Investors in Carers' Award. We believe that supporting Carers is an important part of general medical services as Carers are three times more likely to suffer ill health compared to non-carers.

This is a high achievement for the Practice and congratulations to Hayley Holland (Carers Representative) and the team for achieving another Gold level award for the Practice.

For more information, please call Hayley Holland on 01225 866611

## Carers break prescriptions

Did you know ..... Carer Support Wiltshire runs a scheme for all Carers in Wiltshire to have a FREE break.

To access a FREE Carers Break Prescription, please contact Hayley who will be able to complete the form for you.

JOIN THE TEAM

# WE'RE HIRING!

We are a forward thinking friendly Practice who value people and their contribution to the organisation at all levels. We currently have the following openings:

## Practice Nurse

### Medical Receptionist full time & part time roles available

If you like a challenge and thrive on working in a busy environment you may be the person we are looking for. We seek reliable, confident and caring people who are enthusiastic about working in a busy environment and with the public.

To apply, please send your CV and a covering letter to The Health Centre, Station Approach, Bradford on Avon, Wiltshire, BA15 1DQ

## New Travel Nurse - Gillian Kent

Prior to your travel clinic appointment Gillian will ask that you complete a Pre Travel Questionnaire.

These can be located at all Surgery sites or via our website.

- EACH person in your family/party will need to complete a separate form.

Ensure you have answered ALL questions.

Not all vaccinations are available on the NHS

(See in-house [Travel leaflet for Vaccinations Price List](#) & more FAQs

- Please be aware that you will *not* be seen without filling in the Pre Travel Questionnaire
- You must submit your questionnaire at least 8 weeks before your departure date



For more information on what to expect please visit [www.boamhp.co.uk](http://www.boamhp.co.uk)

## Transforming Care for Older People

The Practice 'Transforming Care for Older People' Team (TCOP) has been in-place since 2014, with the specific aim of focusing on older people over the age of 75 years that would support patients to live as independently as possible at home, while also involving people in the consideration of possible future care before a health deterioration occurs. Over 400 older people a year have benefited from person-centred care planning approach to their care as well as visits from a range of professionals across health, social and the voluntary sector.

In addition, the TCOP team welcomes an Age UK colleague who will be delivering the 'Well-being Project'. Her role is to identify patients who are high users of primary and secondary care, whose symptoms result from poor well-being rather than an underlying medical problem and work with these patients through a wide range of agencies to improve their well-being.

The benefits to the patients are that their underlying issues are addressed and they are supported to achieve whatever is required to improve their well-being. As a result, these patients are shown to reduce their demand on primary, secondary, community health and social care services.

For more information on any of the above, please contact: Amanda Brookes, Project Lead or Ruth Randall, Team Leader on 01225 860812.