



PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

NEWSLETTER

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An introduction to Dr Cottrell

Dr Cottrell joined the Practice last year and has written the following article for the Newsletter:

I have just completed my first year as a Partner at Wolstanton Medical Centre and I am delighted to be back at the practice. Having worked at Wolstanton Medical Centre before, it has really been a pleasure to catch up with so many of you again. I am looking forward to working with you over future years.

I am an 'Academic' GP, which means that in addition to working at the practice three days a week, I spend the rest of the working week at Keele University's Primary Care and Health Sciences Centre undertaking research and implementation (putting research into 'real world practice'). My PhD focussed on the management of osteoarthritis by GPs and one of my ongoing research interests is improving osteoarthritis management in primary care. Much of my work away from the face-to-face clinical work that you all see, and the paperwork that comes with that, has been focussed on improving the quality of primary care, through evaluating new services or innovations or auditing care provided (checking what should be happening is happening). This is central to the long-standing ethos of Wolstanton Medical Centre, which, for decades has been a front-runner in innovation, education, research and high-quality care. One of the highlights for me in this first year has been our successful application to Keele University to become the first ever Keele University Academic General Practice. This will bring us all exciting opportunities to further advance the care and services we provide, and that you receive, and to assess the impact of these changes as they happen.

Away from work, I am married with two children (8yr and 6yr). I enjoy getting out whenever possible to enjoy the world around us, whether that is walks in the countryside during the day or bat detecting or stargazing at night. I am no expert in any of these activities, but it is my place of calm and pleasure (and in the case of photographing a kingfisher, sometimes great excitement!).

Surgery opening hours

Monday to Friday 8.00am—6.00pm, Saturday 8.00am to 11.00am

To book an appointment, please call **01782 627403**

Practice Staff

DOCTORS

Dr Mark Shapley
Dr Alwyn Ralphs
Dr John Edwards
Dr Elizabeth Cottrell
Dr Sarah Pritchard
Dr Claire Burton (on Maternity leave)
Dr Lorna Clarson
Dr Abi Nguyen (on Maternity leave)
Dr Shubha Hebbar
Dr Starla Yarde
Dr Andrew Davy
Dr Joanne Protheroe
Dr Morris (GP Registrar)
Dr Asim (GP Registrar)

ADVANCED NURSE PRACTITIONERS

Vicky Shone RGN
Julie Broad RGN

NURSE PRACTITIONER

Julia Nixon RGN
Karen Smith

Advanced Nurse Practitioners & Nurse Practitioners are highly experienced nurses who have undergone additional training to manage certain problems without the need to see a doctor. They are able to prescribe certain drugs, and are always able to seek further advice from one of the doctors immediately, if necessary.

PRACTICE NURSES

Helen Mountford
Caroline Higgins

Appointments can be made with the Practice Nurses for assessment and treatment of minor ailments, cervical smears, dressings, ear syringes, immunisations, etc

PHYSICIANS ASSOCIATE

Katie Griffiths

ASSOCIATE PRACTITIONER

Jo Parton

HEALTH CARE ASSISTANT

Sharon Fox

PRACTICE MANAGER

Lynne Cooper

ASSISTANT PRACTICE MANAGER

Joanne Webb

RECEPTIONISTS

Karen
Charlene (part time)
Joy
Natalie (senior)
Rebecca
Natasha (maternity leave)
Abbie
Mandy
Debbie

SECRETARIES

Amelia
Laura
Charlene (part time)

ADMINISTRATION

Debbie
June
Angela

OTHER PRIMARY CARE STAFF :

MIDWIFE

Stacey Hulse

DISTRICT NURSES

District Nurses can be contacted at 11am most weekdays at the Millrise Health Centre 0300 124 0094.

HEALTH VISITORS

The Health Visitors are based at Porthill Clinic and can be contacted on 0300 124 5029

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You can read this and all previous issues of the Newsletter, together with the minutes of all the PPG meetings, on the practice website at: www.wolstantonmedicalcentre.nhs.uk/ppg