

Extended Opening Hours & New Appointment Schedule **Starting – 1st July 2008**

As you may be aware from recent media coverage, the government are proposing to open “polyclinics” with a perception that this may put your surgery at risk.

We have reviewed our opening hours and our ability to offer patients appointments and the range of times and days available. We wish to defend our position of delivering “personal continuity of care”, which we feel is the “Gold Standard” in a general practice.

In our Patient satisfaction Survey last year, the majority of patients were satisfied with our appointment system. However, 30% of you wanted a Saturday morning appointment option. The partners and the team have planned a new appointment schedule. We hope will deliver improved access particularly for those patients who work or study during normal opening hours and need to pre-book appointments.

Early Morning Appointments – Pre Bookable
7:30 am Tuesday and Wednesday
at College Lane Surgery, Ackworth

Saturday Morning Appointments – Pre Bookable Only
8:00am – 11:00am
at Thorpe Lane Surgery, Thorpe Audlin

The early morning and Saturday morning appointments are “pre-bookable”. There will not be any other services available at these times and emergency cover will still be provided by the PCT via Local Care Direct. The Doctors in the practice will be covering these new appointments on rota so you may not be seeing your usual Doctor.

New Doctor Joining the Team

We are currently recruiting an additional part time Salaried Doctor to provide for extra appointments and early opening. We will update you on our web site and in the surgery as soon as we know! www.collegelanesurgery.com

College Lane Surgery – Medical Training

The practice has a strong commitment to undergraduate and postgraduate training. We are increasing our GP Registrar posts in August 2008 to include 3 GP Registrars and 1 Foundation post.

In addition we take 2nd and 5th year Medical Students from Leeds Medical School. We also facilitate placements and mentorship for nursing and practitioner development.

We would like to thank our patients for their cooperation and support in both consulting and assisting the team with our training programme.

GP Registrar's
Dr Doddaiah
Dr Sharma
Dr Daru

Foundation Doctor
Dr Abbott

TEENAGE CLINIC – IMPORTANT UPDATE



**Teenage Clinic
New Session Time
From 2nd July**

**Wednesday's
4.45pm and 5.45pm**

**No Appointment Necessary
Confidential/Parent Free
Ages 10 – 19 Years Only**

As part of the changes to our opening times and clinics we are changing the time of the teenage clinic. We hope this will be a convenient time for you to pop in on your way home from school/college.

It's still **parent free.... Still confidential..... still no need to book an appointment...** and you can choose to see a **Dr or Nurse**. We know you need your space, so you will be seen upstairs in a separate waiting area and consultation room on the 1st floor away from the main waiting room.

Flu Vaccination Sessions

We are currently planning our campaign for September 2008. Watch out for the dates and times which will be announced by the end of August ask at reception or check out our web site - www.collegelanesurgery.com