

PPG Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022

In attendance from Fordington Surgery:

Dr Hay-Ming Blunt – GP Partner

Justine Mckay – Practice Manager

9 patients attended the meeting

#### Surgery points

1. 2022 Flu and Covid-19 vaccination campaign

Saturday clinics will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> October, 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> November. We will be able to offer covid boosters at the same time. Invitations will be sent out through August via text, post and email.

2. Covid Recovery

The surgery has recovered well since the pandemic. There are no waiting lists for appointments or procedures as have been experienced in some local surgeries. We continued to operate as near to normal as we possibly could with the addition of telephone consultations and promotion of e-consults.

3. Recruitment

Dr Kit Griffin will be joining the surgery team on 3<sup>rd</sup> August. Chloe Alford joined our nursing team as our diabetic nurse. Rebecca Harris has joined the community paramedic team.

#### Patient Q & A's

4. Monkey Pox – Is vaccination likely

High risk areas of the country are being targeted for vaccination; however, supply of the vaccine is limited. No plans for a national rollout currently.

5. Blood Tests taken on behalf of hospital – is this funded?

Yes, a small amount of reimbursement for doing hospital bloods is received.

6. Time taken for hospital BT's to appear in patient record

Hospital blood tests are not automatically sent to the patient GP record. These can be downloaded from the ICE system, but this is time consuming for the GP's to do. It is the responsibility of the clinician ordering the test ie: hospital consultant, to follow up the results. There should be no need for patients to take a copy of their blood tests to their hospital appointment. The computer systems can access results very easily.

7. Should discontinued medication stay on the list of repeats for future ordering?

Medication that has not been ordered in 12 months is taken off the repeat medication screen during a medication review. The computer system will flag up using a traffic light system, whether a patient is ordering their medication correctly, too soon or not often enough. The GP's use this as an aid memoir when reviewing medications.

8. How are prescriptions paid for?

The surgery does not hold the budget for medication, however, we are audited on prescribing habits.

9. Informing surgery and NHS of covid +ve test results. Is it required?

It is not necessary to inform the surgery of covid +ve results. Those in the extremely vulnerable category will have been supplied with test kits and the means to record their result in order for any anti-viral medication to be supplied.

10. Should PPG correspondence appear in the medical record?

The CQC require us to have a record of PPG activity. Invites to meetings will be recorded in the medical record, however, minutes of the meeting will not.

11. Regularity and minimum numbers for meetings

Quarterly with a minimum attendance of 6 for the meeting to go ahead.

12. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 1pm.