

LMC ViewPoint

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The Health and Care Act

The Government has passed the Health and Care Act 2022 which proposes health reforms in England. This now means the West Yorkshire plans for an Integrated Care System from July will now progress, replacing Leeds CCG in the process.

The BMA have provided some background to the changes to explain what it means for ICSs and commissioning in the NHS. This can be found [here](#). The King's Fund have also published an article on the [Health Care Act: Challenges and opportunities](#)

Leeds LMC ICS Event: CCG to ICS: What's the implications for general practice?

You are invited to join us for an important meeting on Tuesday 24th May, 7-9pm at Weetwood Hall, Leeds. We will be joined by Rob Webster, Chief Executive-Designate of West Yorkshire Integrated Care System and Dr James Thomas, Medical Director-Designate of WY ICB alongside other speakers to discuss what the new West Yorkshire ICS means for Leeds, for practices and for our patients. Please join us to find out more about what the future holds for all of us. More details are attached.

General Practice representation at Population and Care Delivery Boards

As part of the changing structures with the development of the West Yorkshire Integrated Care Board and the Leeds place-based committee, Population and Care Delivery Boards will be part of the new health and care architecture for Leeds. They will be responsible for driving improvements in outcomes and experience as well as achieving value for NHS spend. They agree outcomes and where to allocate additional funding. They include:

Population Boards: Children; Mostly Healthy; Long Term Conditions; Frailty; End of Life

Care Delivery Boards: Maternity; Planned Care; Cancer; Mental health; Learning Disability & Autism; Same day Response.

The Leeds GP Confederation and Leeds LMC working with Leeds CCG, are seeking General Practice representatives for each of the Population and Care Delivery Boards. This is to bring a perspective as a General Practice provider. Members of these groups will require a comprehensive understanding of General Practice and to be able to fully reflect the interests of General Practice. Whilst the representative can be a clinician, this is not a clinical role. We would encourage interest from anyone currently working in General Practice in Leeds.

Representatives will be supported in their role including with funding for the work. It is anticipated that the commitment will be six hours a month to include any preparation, attendance at the Board and dissemination of information.

Representatives will be fully supported in this role. A full description of the role, support and application/assessment process is available. If you are interested, then please contact jim.barwick@nhs.net or mail@leedslmc.org for further details. Please state which Population or Care Delivery Board you are interested in. Individuals may express an interest in one or more Board. Closing date is 27th May.

HRT shortages

The British Menopause Society, FSRH, RCGP and RCOG have issued a [joint position statement](#) on the supply shortages of Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT) The current impact of shortages of HRT products on women cannot be underestimated. HRT for many woman is a lifeline which helps them to effectively manage their symptoms, and when they are unable to access it this can have a profound impact on their quality of life.

Serious Shortage Protocols - HRT

Serious Shortage Protocols have been issued for three HRT preparations:

Oestrogel® pump-pack 750mcg/actuation gel

Ovestin® 1mg cream

Premique® low dose 0.3mg/1.5mg modified release tablets.

Fake invoice scam alert

A Finance Administrator at a West Yorkshire GP surgery has been targeted by criminals who have managed to divert funds from the practice. The scammers have been able to access the Finance Administrator's work emails which has allowed them to see who has sent invoices, what they look like and who has asked for them to be paid.

Using this information, the fraudsters have created invoices which look similar to genuine ones. They have also set up email addresses which appear to be from staff members who would normally request payments to be made. They have then been able to email the Finance Administrator from email addresses which at a glance appear legitimate with credible looking invoices. The invoices were all in relation to fictitious Covid and IIF claims.

Please check that the following bank details do not appear on payments made:

Sort Code	Account number
04-00-75	74675567
04-00-75	70004390
23-69-72	29852633
23-69-72	29659301

These bank accounts have been linked to fraudulent activity. If a payment has been made to them, please take immediate action and contact your bank. For further details, please see [here](#).

Covid infection rates

Levels of COVID-19 infections in the community remain high. Consistent with the previous couple of weeks, cases in England continue to decline. In the week ending the 30 April, the number of people testing positive decreased, with around 1 in 35 people testing positive. This compares to 1 in 25 the previous week and is equivalent to a prevalence of 2.9%.

Whilst in recent weeks rates in Yorkshire and the Humber have been higher than the national average, as cases continue to fall, rates are now in line with the national prevalence estimates. In the week ending the 30 April, modelled estimates suggest that around 3% of the population were infected with COVID-19.

Current hospital in-patient position

Hospitals across West Yorkshire now have a total of 185 patients with COVID-19. This number has reduced by 46 (20%) over the past week. The current Omicron BA.2 wave reached a peak of 547 patients on 6 April. The current total includes three patients in mental health beds. The number in HDU/ITU (2) has remained relatively low and stable for some weeks. Non-COVID demand remains very high in all sectors.

UK LMC Conference

Leeds LMC representatives attended the 2022 UK LMC conference which was held in York. Dr Lucy Clement proposed a key motion on the impact of waiting times on patients and practices, and this was successfully carried in all parts:

AGENDA COMMITTEE TO BE PROPOSED BY LEEDS: That conference is seriously concerned by the impact of waiting times for secondary care NHS treatment, both on patients who are waiting unacceptably long times for appointments and on practice workload, and:

(i) believes current government initiatives to reduce waiting times have been wholly inadequate

(ii) demands that governments provide additional funding for practices to support the additional

workload they are dealing with

(iii) calls on the four governments to provide clear plans for reducing lengthy waiting times so that appropriate care can be provided at the right time

(iv) believes that the widespread rejection of primary care referrals by secondary care could lead to patient harm and significant missed diagnoses

(v) insists that if a referral from general practice is declined for whatever reason, then this should be

communicated by a named, accountable individual.

General practice factual reports

A new pilot is starting in May to trial a replacement to the existing [DWP medical factual reports](#) (also known as DS1500 or the PIP form), which GPs are asked to complete to support patients' claims for Personal Independence Payment. The new form is designed to be quicker and easier for GPs to complete, while still capturing the information needed. The trial will run for six months and DWP hope that GPs will engage with it and provide any helpful feedback and comments they may have on the new form. During the pilot, GPs may sometimes receive the existing GPFR and may sometimes receive the version being trialled.

NHS Digital Weight Management Programme

The [NHS Digital Weight Management Programme](#) is designed to support adults living with obesity who also have a diagnosis of diabetes, hypertension or both, to manage their weight and improve their health. A new version of the referral form has been produced in which more information auto-populates and can be found [here](#). If your practice uses Ardens or DXS, version 2 is already available.

Change of default web browser

From week commencing Monday 9 May, the default web browser on all GP practice desktops will change from Internet Explorer 11 to the latest version of Microsoft Edge (Edge Chromium). Please see the update from the Informatics IT team [here](#).

Accessing HBVAXPRO vaccine used in the targeted neonatal hepatitis B immunisation programme

MSD vaccines have recently changed their wholesaler from AAH to Alliance Healthcare. Practices who have been unable to source HBVAXPRO vaccine used in the targeted neonatal hepatitis B immunisation programme where the doses required are monovalent hep B vaccine i.e. first, second and final (sixth) doses, should contact the new wholesaler: Alliance Healthcare Customer Services via phone: 0330 100 0448 or email customerservice@alliance-healthcare.co.uk.

VACANCIES

Ashfield and The Grange Medical Centres

Job summary

We are a dynamic, family-friendly surgery, who value our employees and would like to expand our team. We have practices in Leeds 15 and 14 area.

We are looking for a salaried GP who will contribute to our provision of high quality, patient-centered care. Sessions negotiable for the right candidate, ideally we are looking for between 4-6.

Competitive salary with option to either join our MDU indemnity group scheme or we will pay the equivalent should you prefer to source your own.

Weekly CPD time allocated in line in the practice protocol.

We would be very happy to meet and talk to interested candidates including newly qualified/retainer GP's.

Main duties of the job

We are looking for a hard-working, committed GP who will play an active role within our team to maintain our values and help develop patient services in the future.

We encourage our salaried GP's to get involved in the running/changes in the practice. All clinical/management/admin staff join our weekly practice meetings where we encourage all staff to get involved.

There will be a mix of routine and same day appointments, including telephone and face to face. There will be a pro-rata on-call day. We are supportive and accommodating of any specialist interests you may have and encourage clinicians to take leads with schemes/interests.

Overview of your organisation

List size (approx. 6,500) Rated Good by the CQC in January 2019 Clinical Team consists of 2 Partners, 4 Salaried GPs, 1 Advanced Clinical Practitioner, 2 Practice Nurses, 1 trainee nurse and 3 Healthcare Assistants.

Highly committed and efficient management, administrative and secretarial team.

We work alongside a variety of PCN staff in the form of Pharmacists, ACP, Dementia Nurse, Paramedics and Care Coordinators.

We are a trainee practice and currently have 2 registrars and student nurse currently.

We deliver minor surgery services

Weekly late morning catch-up with other clinicians

Emis clinical system

Please contact: Michaela Guilfoyle, Practice Manager

telephone 01132044916 or email practicemanager.ashfield@nhs.net

Practice Nurse Vacancy (part time) – Ashfield Medical Centre

We are a busy forward-thinking practice, providing high quality care, working to specific clinical guidelines and protocols for our registered community. Whilst previous experience of working in a GP Practice is desirable, we are open to offer the position as a training post to an enthusiastic newly qualified nurse or are you a working within Secondary Care and want a new direction? If so, come and join our supportive and friendly team.

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- RGN with NMC registration.
- Commitment to continuing professional development.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work autonomously and collaboratively within a team.
- To be able to determine workload priorities.
- Able to work under pressure in an ever changing environment.
- Flexibility of working hours that may include extended hours.
- Training and CPD provided where necessary.

For further information or to send you CV with covering letter, please contact Michaela Guilfoyle – practicemanager.ashfield@nhs.net tel 01132951828

SALARIED GP POSITION - Ashfield Medical Centre

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Receptionist – 25 hours per week – Ashfield Medical Centre

As a key member of the Patient Services team you will be responsible for providing an efficient reception function that includes some specific administration duties.

The role is busy and varied. You will need excellent communication and interpersonal skills and to be able to handle difficult situations professionally and calmly. You will also need to be able to juggle multiple tasks at once and prioritise these appropriately during the day.

To ensure the front of house service of meeting and greeting is welcoming and portrays our standards of friendly, professional and patient-focused care.

- Good communication skills, both written and verbal
- Competent use of IT

- Ability to deal confidently and courteously with people both in person and over the telephone.
- Ability to work flexibly as a team member
- Able to work on own initiative and prioritise workload
- Empathetic, honest, caring
- Diplomatic and considered
- Able to work under pressure
- Willing to work flexible hours as necessary
- An understanding, acceptance and adherence to the need for strict confidentiality

Desirable

- Knowledge of the NHS Experience of using clinical systems
 - Previous experience customer service background or working as a receptionist in General Practice
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LOWER WORTLEY, LEEDS LS12 5SG

SALARIED GP / ADVANCED NURSE PRACTITIONER UP TO 4 SESSIONS

Hawthorn Surgery is a well-established training practice based in Lower Wortley and New Farnley, just 3 miles West of the vibrant city centre of Leeds. Proximity to road networks make life here convenient for enjoying the beautiful Yorkshire landscape.

Following the recent successful recruitment of a GP we are now looking for another enthusiastic, forward thinking colleague to join our growing team. We are looking for a strong team-player who will share our patient-centred ethos.

We are a training practice with a culture of learning and development. We currently have 1 GP registrar and 1 FY2 doctor working with us.

Our dedicated and supportive clinical workforce comprises 2 GP partners, 3 salaried GP's, 2 practice nurses and a health care assistant for a list size of 6000 patients.

We cater for a diverse mix of patients, that being located close to a large city affords.

We encourage clinical and administrative teams to contribute and share innovation through regular meetings and hold daily catch-up's over coffee. We have 15 minute appointments.

As a member of our local PCN we hold COVID vaccination clinics and have developed new and collaborative ways of working. We have co-employed clinical pharmacists, first contact physiotherapists, social prescribers, care-co-ordinators, and a paramedic, using the Additional Roles Reimbursement Scheme (ARRS).

A salaried GP / ANP role for up to 4 sessions has arisen and will be an exciting prospect for a like-minded candidate in this highly reputable practice.

We encourage candidates to contact us for an informal visit.

- System One
- High QOF achievement
- CQC "Good" with "Outstanding" in responsiveness to patients
- Purpose based modern leased building
- Additional extended hours locality Hub working available if desired
- Keen baking skills and food huddles along with seasonal quizzes.
- Hawthorn surgery allotment group

If you would like any more information about this opportunity, please contact Amanda Nelson, Practice Manager on 01132954770, or amanda.nelson@nhs.net

Come and join us at Rutland Lodge Medical Practice, Leeds

We have a vacancy for a newly qualified or experienced GP or ANP to provide 6-8 sessions per week.

You will be working with an experienced GP and nursing team ably supported by management and administration staff.

We are a teaching and training practice currently with four GP partners, 3 Salaried Doctors, 1 Advanced Nurse Practitioner, 3 Practice Nurses, and a Health Care Assistant.

Our Practice covers a diverse area of North Leeds from the inner city up to the Ring Road in North Leeds, with a patient population of just over 9,000. The Practice has two sites with main purpose built premises well located and easily accessible on the Scott Hall Road and a branch surgery in Little London.

We are very active within Central North Leeds Primary Care Network

Key Information:

- Several sessions available with flexible telephone and face to face session times
- Well organised GMS, SystmOne practice
- Purpose build premises
- Practice has a reputation for consistent high achievement
- Use of AskMyGP embedded in practice
- We would welcome applications from trainers or intending trainers
- No premises buy in but scope for development of branch site

Key Benefits:

- Contract based on BMA standard contract
- Immediate parity for a partner
- NHS Pension
- Practice is part of NHS Fleet solutions

What Happens Next:

If you would like to be considered for this post please talk to us in confidence by calling our Practice Manager Paula Dearing on 0113 2007455 or get in touch by emailing p.dearing@nhs.net.

Practice Nurse Vacancy – Alwoodley Medical Practice

We are a friendly, supportive GP surgery looking for an experienced and enthusiastic Practice Nurse to join our busy practice team.

We are currently a team of 6 Practice nurses and 5 Health Care Assistants and are looking for a full time nurse with the following attributes :

- RGN with NMC registration.
- Experience in managing chronic conditions.
- Specific nursing skills / qualifications including cervical cytology, wound care, immunisation.
- Commitment to continuing professional development.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to work autonomously and collaboratively within a team.
- To be able to determine workload priorities.
- Able to work under pressure in an ever changing environment.
- Flexibility of working hours that may include extended hours.

Terms & Conditions:

- Ideally full time
- Offer of a competitive rate of pay dependent on experience
- NHS Pension Scheme
- Uniform provided
- 6 weeks (pro rata) annual leave plus bank holidays
- Training and CPD provided where necessary.

Please contact Jayne Tait for more information jayne.tait@nhs.net

Salaried GP with view to Partnership

We are a GMS Practice situated in the town of Goole in the East Riding of Yorkshire. Goole is a port town surrounded by picturesque surrounding villages, towns, cities and good schools. Providing easy access to the Yorkshire Wolds, North Yorkshire Moors and plenty of lovely coastline and seaside villages and towns, it is an ideal location for someone looking to live and work in a lovely area of the country.

Goole is on the M62 corridor, lying close to the M62 and the M18 motorways and is easily commutable from York, Leeds and Hull. The town is served by a railway station, which has services to Leeds, Selby, Hull, York and London.

With a friendly, enthusiastic and patient focused team, we have a current list size of 8700 patients and offer a full range of GMS services.

We are looking for an enthusiastic, motivated and flexible GP to join Montague Medical Practice, on a salaried basis with a view to future partnership. This vacancy would suit a newly qualified or experienced GP.

To assist with recruitment and retention, we are really excited to be able to offer successful candidates a place on one of the Humber, Coast and Vale Fellowship Programmes:

- CATALYST: 2 year programme to design and deliver bespoke QI projects
- Enhanced GP Fellowship (for newly qualified GP's within 2 years post-CCT)
- Phoenix Fellowship: 12 month mid-career GP development programme

See attached flyers for further information.

Main duties of the job

The successful candidate will undertake all the usual duties of a GP. We are supportive of individuals personal areas of interest and development and would look to support these in your work at the practice.

You may also be assigned or choose to take on areas of oversight/responsibility in terms of specific projects, disease groups or ad hoc areas of work etc. and would have protected time in which to carry out this work.

About us

Montague Medical Practice has a very supportive team across the board, from reception to administration, nursing, management and General Practitioners. We work hard but in a friendly, open and inclusive culture as one cohesive team.

- SystemOne
- High QOF Achievement
- Strong Nursing & Clinical Team
- Comprehensive Admin and Management Team
- Nurse training
- 6 weeks annual leave
- 1 week study leave

Montague Medical Practice is a member practice of the CYGNET PCN, a strong PCN with excellent working relationships between member practices.

Job description / Job responsibilities

As a Salaried GP you will carry out all the normal duties of a General Practitioner, telephone, face to face, online and video consultations, home visits, administrative work, audits and project work. You will take part in on-call duty doctor days. We offer a competitive salary of up to £11,000 per session per annum, dependent on experience.

You will have opportunity where appropriate to develop or utilise any areas of personal interest within the practice.

You will attend meetings where required and work in the practices Extended Hours and Improved Access clinics.

You will work as part of the wider team in a cohesive manner and uphold the open and inclusive culture of the practice.

Person Specification Knowledge and Skills Essential

- Ability to provide good quality of patient care
- Good clinical knowledge and skills
- Can do attitude
- Team player
- Open, willing and able to take on change, projects, ad-hoc pieces of work and see it through
- Desire to uphold the open and inclusive culture of the practice
- Good interpersonal and communication skills
- Good IT skills

Desirable

- Good leadership skills, qualities and attitude

Essential

- Qualified GP

Garforth Medical Practice, Garforth, Leeds, LS25 1HB

Salaried GP vacancy - 4/5 sessions per week

The practice is looking for an enthusiastic, highly motivated GP to join our forward thinking and hardworking friendly team. The doctors are supported by excellent nursing and administrative teams. We are actively involved in our Primary Care Network with a GP Partner holding the position of Clinical Director. Within the PCN we have a team of additional roles including Paramedic, Pharmacists, First Contact Physiotherapists and Social Prescribers.

- 13,950 patients
- Committed to achieving high standards in QOF
- Rated Good in CQC inspection
- Training practice
- SystmOne, eConsult and AccuRx systems
- Competitive salary negotiable and medical indemnity covered by practice
- See our website for more details www.garforthmedicalcentre.co.uk

We strive to provide the highest standards of modern primary care while maintaining the very best of traditional family general practice.

Please email CV and letter of application to Lisa Carroll lisacarroll@nhs.net

Burton Croft has a vacancy for a salaried GP

- 6 sessions at 10K per session. Days are negotiable.
- Advert is on NHS jobs and CVs can be emailed to des.mcevoy@nhs.net

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