

Sunday morning pre-bookable GP appointments

at

Frimley Primary Care Services
GP Out Of Hours Centre



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From 1st October 2017, a small number of routine, pre-bookable Sunday morning GP appointments will be available to patients of Oakley Health Group.

This service is being provided by Frimley Primary Care Services (FPCS), our local GP out of hours provider (part of North Hampshire Urgent Care).

16 x 15-minute GP appointments will be available every Sunday morning, and will be bookable via the surgery, in the normal way, if required.

Please note that:

- The appointments will be held at the GP out of hours centre, based at Frimley Park Hospital, *not at Yateley Medical Centre or Hartley Corner Surgery*
- The appointments are available to all 225,000 patients registered with the 23 practices within North East Hampshire and Farnham CCG, so availability is very limited
- It is extremely unlikely that you would see your own registered GP should you attend one of these appointments
- It is very unlikely that you would even see a GP from Oakley Health Group, should you attend one of these appointments
- The GP that you see might not be able to provide all the services that you would normally expect to have if you were you to attend an appointment here at Oakley Health.
So you *might* be re-directed back to Oakley Health if you subsequently need:
 - A blood test
 - An x-ray
 - An ECG, lung function testing, or other similar investigation
 - A procedure, such as a minor operation or joint injection
- The GP that you see will be able to prescribe medication, if required at the time

As part of this service, the GP that you see at FPCS will necessarily require access to view your full GP record, and permission to record that consultation directly in your GP record. These types of GP appointments are known as “remote consultations”.

When you book the Sunday morning appointment, the receptionist will ask you if you are happy to allow the GP that you are seeing “remote” access to your GP record in this way, just for that appointment.

Please note that if you do not consent to this then you cannot book this type of Sunday morning appointment at FPCS.

Any opt-outs that you might have expressed to other types of NHS data sharing, such as the Summary Care Record, the Hampshire Health Record, or any secondary uses of your GP information, will not prevent you from making such an appointment – assuming you consent to allow temporary remote access to your GP record when the booking is made.

The surgery allows the A&E department at FPH, as well as FPCS GP out-of-hours centre, potential access to the GP records of our patients attending that department for urgent care, or in an emergency. This is known as EMIS Web data sharing, and is completely unrelated to the access granted when a routine Sunday morning GP appointment is booked.

If you have opted-out of EMIS Web data sharing, this will not prevent you from making such an appointment – assuming you consent to allow access temporary remote access to your GP record when the booking is made.

Any accesses to your GP record for remote consultations are recorded and auditable, and are only permissible in this way

- *if* you have booked a Sunday morning appointment, *and*
- *if* you have given your explicit consent at the time of booking

If you would like any further information about remote consultations, secondary uses, opting out, remote consultations, or about any other aspect of NHS data sharing, then please do contact the surgery's Caldicott Guardian / Information Governance lead:

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