

KILLAMARSH MEDICAL PRACTICE

PRACTICE PROFILE 2018



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THE AREA

Killamarsh Medical Practice serves the Parish of Killamarsh in North East Derbyshire and is situated close to the borders of Sheffield, Rotherham and Nottinghamshire, with easy access to Junctions 30 and 31 off the M1.

The excellent Rother Valley Country Park and Water Sports Centre is nearby and we are within easy reach of the Derbyshire Peak District.

Killamarsh used to be a thriving mining area. New housing developments followed pit closures in the 1980s and many people now commute to work in nearby Sheffield.

THE PRACTICE

This is a long established practice with a strong feeling of stability and well-defined ethos and sense of purpose, operating under a PMS contract.

We aim to provide easily accessible high quality care whilst considering the quality of life of all practice employees.

We have always strived to be excellent, innovative providers of care. This has placed us in a strong position in terms of resource allocation and budgetary position.

Our clinical systems are TPP SystemOne and INRstar. We are a paper-light practice and have well-structured administration systems. We use the Integrated Clinical Environment (ICE) for laboratory reports and imaging results and have electronic discharge letters from hospital.

We are pleased to score consistently highly on GP Patient Surveys and our Friends and Family feedback shows that 98% of our patients would recommend the practice to friends and family and 95% are happy with our opening hours.

Our high scores on accessibility are attributable to our 'today's work today' system. This allows both 8 week advanced booking of appointments (online) and 24 hour availability without recourse to triage.

We score maximum Quality & Outcomes Framework (QOF) points and provide a range of enhanced services.

We have a close working relationship with Derbyshire CCGs and attend CCG locality meetings. We have good links with the Medicines Management team, who provide prescribing support in the surgery.

THE PATIENTS

Our list size is currently around 9,200 patients and is expected to increase over the next few years.

Killamarsh has average unemployment for Derbyshire but rates less deprived than average. Our age-sex profile indicates we have fewer elderly than average and more 10-30 year olds. By working with a consistent team of community staff and a stable, geographically compact population, we can achieve a high degree of continuity.

THE PREMISES AND SERVICES

Our original premises were built 25 years ago on the site of the original village cinema. To maintain well equipped purpose-built premises, we have extended three times. We finished our third extension in 2016, increasing our consultation room capacity by seven, adding new toilet facilities and re-furbishing our treatment room.

The practice is open 8am to 6.30pm Monday to Friday. Surgeries run from 8am-10.30am, 4pm-6.30pm (no evening surgery on Wednesday). Patients that ring in the morning can be seen the same day after morning surgery.

The Doctors have no OOH commitments at present, do not work on weekends and are not involved in extended hours. Patients can be booked into the Valleys Partnership extended access hubs in the evenings and weekends.

Each Doctor and Nurse has their own fully furnished consulting room and shares the use of a well-equipped treatment room.

In addition to the usual GP services, we have a multi-disciplinary mental health team offering counselling and CBT, a Practice Community Nurse and a Care Co-ordinator. We provide undergraduate teaching to medical students and student nurses.

In 2013 we built a new pharmacy attached to the surgery with its own front entrance and a link to the reception area. The pharmacy operates a 100 hour contract and is open 7am-10pm 6 days a week and 7am-5pm on Sunday.

THE STAFF

Our Business Manager, Vikki, leads a very experienced and cheerful team of receptionists, admin staff and nurses and is ably supported by our Practice Secretary Gail.

Our 5 receptionists work well as a cohesive team and their flexibility and loyalty has contributed greatly to the stability of the Practice.

The practice has 2 Practice Nurses and 2 Healthcare Assistants.

Our Practice Nurses are very experienced and run our Diabetic, Asthma and COPD clinics. Our HCAs do phlebotomy, BP checks, foot checks, NHS health checks, flu vaccinations, ECGs and spirometry.

We have an employed Pharmacist, the newest member of our team, who is responsible for repeat prescription re-authorisation checks and adding medication from hospital discharge letters. We also have prescribing technicians provided by the Medicines Management Team who perform drug searches and switches.

We have an attached Midwife and Community Nursing team, who have rooms in our surgery allowing integrated care. We have an attached Physiotherapist. Health Visitors work from locality hubs and have regular meetings with our safeguarding lead.

THE PARTNERSHIP

We have 4 full-time GP partners and two part-time salaried GPs. We work in a very close team with shared values and we focus on providing accessible, high quality, traditional family care. We support each other intellectually and emotionally by daily informal contact after morning surgery.

Out of Hours is provided by Derbyshire Health United between 6.30 pm and 8 am and on weekends and bank holidays. We occasionally make informal, personal visiting arrangements for patients who are terminally ill during the OOH period.

The partnership achieves above average net income by maximising our NHS income. This includes anticoagulation and rheumatology monitoring and providing care for the patients in the local nursing homes.

We have a fair and straightforward partnership agreement.

We are proud of our practice and would like to strengthen the team with a new partner or salaried GP who will value our achievements as well as being committed to making their own contribution.

A new partner would have the option to acquire a share of the surgery premises and share the existing notional rent to service any loans. There is no capital required to purchase fixtures and equipment as these are arranged on a 'nothing in, nothing out' basis.

If this is a salaried appointment, the GP would be expected to be available in the practice between surgeries, helping with the workload.

Also, please have a look around our practice website www.killamarshmedicalpractice.co.uk