

## **Aylesham Medical Practice and Wingham Surgery Practice Profile**

Aylesham Medical Practice and Wingham Surgery are part of South Kent Coast CCG. 6272 patients are registered with the Practice. The two practices serve a large rural area extending from Upstreet and Plucks Gutter in the north-west, down to Shepherdsweil in the south-east extremity.

Aylesham Medical Practice is a well organised practice regularly achieving a high percentage of marks within the new GMS contract. The Quality and Outcome Framework and local enhanced services are overseen by our Project Manager, who previously acquired extensive PRICCE and audit experience whilst working for the East Kent Medical Advisory Group. The responsibility for individual disease areas has been successfully devolved to individual members of the clinical staff within the Practice. Both surgeries pride themselves on a warm and friendly working environment and there is excellent administration support at all levels at both sites. Since the two surgeries merged in April 2004 there has been increasing co-operation between the two surgeries, which has benefited staff and patients alike. Both surgeries are connected to the same Vision IT system, allowing easy access to all patients' electronic records on both sites.

Morning walk-in surgeries are currently run on both sites between 08.30 - 10.00am, with any emergencies being seen after this. Afternoon surgeries are two hours long, and start at either 15.30 or 16.00hours. Patients may attend either surgery. These hours are flexible and may be altered with in-coming new members of staff. Aylesham Medical Practice has recently changed its appointment system. We now hold a walk-in surgery in the mornings with a cut off time of 10.00am and half of the evening appointments are pre-book able with the other half being released on the day. Minor surgery and IUCD insertions are currently only performed at Aylesham. However, nurse-led diabetes, respiratory clinics, contraceptive implants and childhood immunisation are available at both sites. Generally there are few visits on either site. Most patients, including the elderly, manage to see the GP in the surgery. Most of the few patients who do require a visit live within a short distance from either surgery.

### **Staff**

Dr Joanna Collyer MB BS DRCOG MRCPG(dist) (full-time senior partner)  
Dr Rajesh Mahadevaiah MB BS MRCPG (full-time partner)  
Dr Thangura Zadeng MBBS MD(paediatrics) MRCPCH Part II Written DRCOG  
MRCPG (part-time salaried GP)

Practice Manager: Michelle Bosson  
Project Manager: Lynn Trunley-Smith

### **Aylesham Medical Practice and Wingham Surgey**

Margo Farley (nurse)	Annie Cryer (nurse)
Gillian Hudson (HCA)	Bonnie Stroud (nurse)
Lindy Jones (secretary/receptionist)	Lisa Butlin (secretary)
Maria Mills (receptionist)	Lauren Golden(receptionist)
Elise Banham (receptionist)	Rebecca Martin (receptionist)
Jillian Baker (receptionist)	Megan Cockram (receptionist)
Hayley Otto (administrator)	

## ***Aylesham Medical Practice***

Aylesham is an ex-mining village, which until 1987 provided the majority of the work force for Snowdown Colliery. Aylesham has a high prevalence of chronic disease, a large proportion being industrial acquired. The village of Aylesham has a strong sense of community originating from its days as a mining village, and it is common for several generations of families to be found living within Aylesham.

Aylesham Medical Practice also serves the surrounding villages of Nonington, Woolage Village, Woolage Green and Shepherdsweil. Aylesham Medical Practice has easy access to professions allied to medicine. A dentist, physiotherapist, acupuncturist, speech therapist, counsellor, midwife, chiropodist, district nurses and health visitors, are either resident or run surgeries within Aylesham Health Centre.

## ***Wingham Surgery***

Wingham is an attractive historic village situated six miles east of Canterbury with 13<sup>th</sup> century timber buildings adjacent to the length of the tree-lined High Street. The surgery serves a large rural area incorporating many small villages. The population of Wingham is 1600, with a large proportion of the village having professional occupations. Wingham Surgery joined Aylesham Medical Practice in April 2004 following the retirement of a single-handed GP. The premises is owned by the Practice, and is a converted bungalow with excellent disabled access. Wingham Surgery enjoys good support from the local community. The appointment system at Wingham is rarely stretched (although Mondays are generally busier), and the surgery has a more relaxed feel compared with the busy atmosphere of Aylesham Medical Practice.

## ***The Future***

Our new surgery which is funded by the CCG holds a large variety of medical services. Aylesham Medical Practice is situated primarily on the ground floor and includes three doctors consulting rooms, three nursing consulting rooms and a separate fully equipped minor-ops/treatment room. The Practice aspires to become a teaching practice, including the teaching of GP registrars, within the next few years. The new premises were built with this in mind, and have been designed to include a teaching suite with trainers and registrars rooms, as well as a library/meeting room.

This Practice has been built anticipating the expansion of the surgery, as 1100 new homes are planned for Aylesham. It is hoped that the Practice will now be able to offer a greater range of services, and certainly offers excellent opportunities for any doctor who provides more specialist or diverse services within the Practice or possibly the CCG. Aylesham Medical Practice and Wingham Surgery look towards the future and will continue to offer the best possible service for their patients.