

WELCOME TO OUR FIRST NEWSLETTER OF 2008.

We would like to welcome all the new patients who have recently registered at the Goodinge. Please visit www.goodingegrouppractice.com for self help medical advice and more practice information.

Please take a few minutes whilst you are waiting to see the Doctor or Nurse to read about what is going on in the Practice.

Telephone Appointments!!!!

The Goodinge Group Practice will soon be introducing telephone consultations. This will be for the convenience of patients who do not need to see the GP face-to-face.



Chlamydia Screening for the under 25's

Chlamydia is a sexually transmitted infection (STI) which can cause problems if left untreated. People can have the infection for some time without knowing it, as often in the early stages it does not cause any symptoms.

If you are aged between 16-25 and sexually active please have the Chlamydia screening test. Please ask the receptionist for a self screening pack, which contains further information.

Breast Screening

All eligible women (between 50-64 years) registered with this Practice will be invited to attend for a mammogram by the Central and East London Breast Screening Service (CELBSS). If you receive an invitation letter, please go along.

Screening aims to detect signs of breast cancer at the earliest possible stage which can save lives and offers possibilities of more conservative treatment.

Letters from PCT

The Islington Primary Care Trust will be writing to you shortly asking you to confirm your address. Please reply to these letters as this will help the practice.

Patient Survey 2008

The Government are conducting a national patient survey asking your views about your GP Practice. If you receive one of these forms from Ipsos MORI it would really help the Practice if you would complete and return it. It will only take a couple of minutes. Thanks.

Dr Tatham is Retiring

After many years working at the Goodinge Group Practice, Dr Margaret Tatham will be retiring in mid April 2008. We are very sorry that Dr Tatham is leaving us.

For a quarter of a century she has played an extremely important role in the Practice, firstly as one of the GP's involved in building up the Practice from our earliest years and more generally in the development of the practice.

We would all like to wish her much success and happiness in her future life. She will be very much missed as a great GP and colleague.



NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS !!!!!!!

As a team the practice strives hard in achieving the high standard of care for all our patients. We are constantly looking to improve our services and welcome any patients' suggestions. Please contact Malcolm Steele, our practice manager.

Wishing you a happy and healthy 2008