

Staunton & Corse Surgery

Patient Participation Group Newsletter

Autumn 2025



Welcome

This is the Autumn 2025 edition of the PPG Newsletter.

The NHS 10-Year Plan

The Government's 10 Year Plan for Health makes promises that affect every patient and every GP. But there are big gaps in the detail. Here's what's missing.

The 10 Year Plan says it will move care into communities. But it doesn't say who will deliver that care, how it will be funded, or how we'll recruit enough GPs to make it happen.



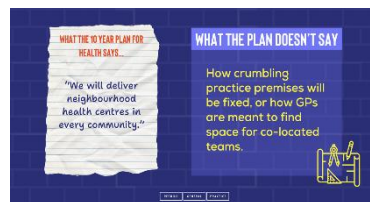
GPs want to develop and train. The 10 Year Plan doesn't say how they'll find the time when they're already overwhelmed.



Digital services are great – unless you're one of the millions without access. The 10 Year Plan doesn't say how it will stop digital exclusion.

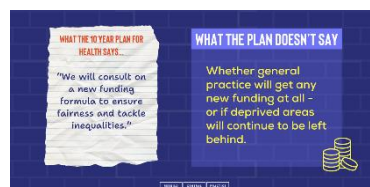


The 10 Year Plan promises health centres everywhere. It doesn't say how we'll fix crumbling premises or find space for teams.



Fair funding matters.

The 10 Year Plan doesn't say if general practice will see any new money – or if deprived areas will keep being left behind.



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Flu and COVID Vaccinations

The practice will be holding the following Flu clinics...

Thursday 2nd October -

Children aged 6 months – 17 years with a clinical risk

Saturday 18th October and Wednesday 29th October

ALL ELIGIBLE PATIENTS

Patients will be sent a self-booking option via their registered mobile telephone number, if you do not have access to a mobile phone and wish to book a flu vaccination, please call our Reception Team on 01452 840228.

If you are a housebound patient, the practice will contact you directly to make the necessary arrangements.

If you are eligible for a COVID vaccine this will be offered to you at the same time as the flu vaccination. We are not running separate clinics for COVID, so if you only required a COVID vaccination please visit the website below for more details:

[Vaccination and booking services - NHS](https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/vaccination-and-booking-services/)

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Do you have the NHS App?
Use the QR Code below to
download the app onto your
smartphone...

Can everyone use all of these services?

Not yet. The services you can access will vary depending on the services offered by your GP practice.

To use some services, you will need to verify your identity. You only need to do this once. You can learn more about how to register and verify your identity in a separate leaflet: 'Getting started with the NHS App'.

Or you can get help on our website: nhs.uk/nhs-app

Your data and permissions

The NHS App does not store any patient data. It lets you view your health information held by your GP and other healthcare professionals.



**Get the NHS App on your
smartphone or tablet**

You can also log in to
your NHS account using
the NHS App.



Staff Update

The practice welcomes our two new GP Trainee's:

Dr James Thorburn and Dr Miles Frost.

Dr Thorburn will be training at the practice for the next 21 months and Dr Frost will be in practice for six months.

Dr Thorburn is originally from Norwich but now lives in the Cheltenham area with his partner, two cats, and their dog. He studied in Aberdeen before moving down to Somerset, and eventually ended up in Gloucestershire. He used to work full-time in the Emergency Department—and still picks up the odd shift—before starting his GP training. All of this has led him to be working at the practice for his final placement.

Dr Frost graduated Southampton medical school with a Bachelor of Medicine & Surgery alongside a master's in medical sciences. He then did his foundation training in Somerset with jobs in general medicine and obstetrics & gynaecology following on from this.

He enjoys football and play the drums in his spare time."

Patients who did not attend their appointments:

July 25	39
August 25	44
Sept 25	55

The appointments not attended include **GP ROUTINE, FOLLOW UP** appointments and Nurse appointments.

**Our patients are waiting
between 2 – 4 weeks for a
routine GP appointment...**

**IF YOU NO LONGER NEED
YOUR APPOINTMENT, PLEASE
CANCEL IT!**



Continuity of Care

The practice is in the process of allocating a 'Usual GP' to all our patient's records to improve continuity of care. When patients join the practice, they are automatically registered with one of our GP Partners, however this may not be the GP you usually see.

Usual GP allocation will be made automatically and randomly but if you wish to submit your preference, please use the form via this link:

<https://stauntonsurgery.co.uk/services/managing-your-health-online/online-forms/preferences-for-receiving-emails-text-messages-and-your-preferred-gp/>

or complete a paper version of the form, these are available from the waiting area at the practice.

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