

WASHINGTON HOUSE SURGERY, BRACKLEY

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The original building was constructed in the 1930s with stone taken from Sulgrave Manor, the family home of George Washington. During the latter half of 1990, the property was extended and upgraded and a further extension added in 2003. The building now provides modern and spacious accommodation for both patients and staff.

Brackley is a pleasant market town which, over the last 20 years, has doubled in population offering a good mix of patient experience for General Practice Registrars. Accommodation is cheaper than Oxford and road connections are excellent, with the M40 junction being only five minutes away and the M1 15 minutes away. Travel time from Oxford is approximately 30 minutes, from Banbury approximately 15 minutes and Milton Keynes 25 minutes. We have an excellent local District General Hospital in Banbury and also refer to the John Radcliffe Hospitals in Oxford.

The practice area covers Brackley and extends to the surrounding villages of Sulgrave, Weston and Weedon Lois to the north, and to Souldern, Hardwick and Hethe to the south. Our patient list is in excess of 8000.

The Practice is part of the Northamptonshire Primary Care Trust, which is part of the NHS. This new Trust takes over from the county's three existing PCTs (Northampton, Daventry and South Northamptonshire and Northamptonshire Heartlands) with a new, stronger emphasis on the commissioning of local health services.

Doctors

Dr Philip Stevens MBBCh MRCGP DRCOG/FP Cert (Wales)

Qualified in 1978, Dr Stevens is interested in medical training and has been an approved trainer since 1993. He is the Brackley lead for Practice Based Commissioning and a Medical Officer to Brackley Cottage Hospital.

Dr John Harrison MBBS MRCP MRCGP DFFP DRCOG (London)

Qualified in 1984, Dr Harrison is Hospital Practitioner in the Endoscopy Clinic at the Horton Hospital, Banbury. A GP trainer

and student tutor for Imperial College medical students, Chairman of Principal Medical Limited, an Oxfordshire primary care organisation which operates community based medical services. He is a Medical Officer to Brackley Cottage Hospital. Interests include diabetes and Osteoporosis.

Dr Jane Cassidy MBBS (Nottingham)

Qualified in 1987, Dr Cassidy specialises in Women's Health Issues and is a Medical Officer to Brackley Cottage Hospital.

Dr Paul Parsons MBChB MRCP DRCOG (Birmingham)

Qualified in 1991, Dr Parsons has a special medical interest in Neurology and is a Medical Officer to Brackley Cottage Hospital.

Dr Amanda Stimson MBChB MRCP DRCOG DFFP (Manchester)

Qualified in 1998. Dr Stimson has specialist interests in family planning and women's health issues.

As a training practice we usually have a Registrar attached to the Practice for a year under the tutelage of Dr Stevens or Dr Harrison. We may also have students on placement for short periods of between 3 weeks and 4 months under the supervision of one of our partners.

We are fully-computerised using EMIS and are a dispensing practice. Lowick Pharmacy is attached to the surgery to provide extended Pharmacy services to patients and non-patients. The registrar has their own fully-equipped room and the surgery has a large meeting room with library. We have five doctors, four of whom are partners with one part time salaried doctor. We have the usual full complement of staff attached to our Primary Healthcare Team including Practice Nurses, Healthcare assistants, Practice Manager, District Nurses, Midwife and Health Visitors. The community hospital has in-patient beds and a physiotherapy department. We manage inpatients in our Community Hospital and also look after the local Nursing and Residential Homes. Our practice nurses and health care assistants see patients by appointment. They run specialised clinics for patients including Asthma, Diabetes, Heart Disease and Hypertension. They also run a weekly Travel clinic. In the Treatment Room they will take blood samples, ear syringing, blood pressure checks, ECGs, Spirometry, Mirena Coil fittings, dressings, minor injuries, removal of sutures,

injections, dietary advice and cervical smears. They run a fortnightly Cryosurgery Clinic and Minor Surgery clinic for the removal of warts, verrucas and similar growths. They can offer advice on numerous health topics and are qualified to carry out general health checks. They will also offer smoking cessation advice.

All of these varied features mean we can offer Registrars a very rounded learning experience. We work with our Registrars to make sure their learning is tailored to their individual needs, and do our very best to make them feel valued and involved.

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