



Budbrooke Medical Centre

November 2021

Budbrooke Portakabin

Budbrooke now has a portakabin installed. The portakabin is located in front of the dispensary.

Other local GP's have adopted this solution to reduce pressures within the building.

The portakabin can be used easily by clinicians to see patients, to reduce some of the winter pressures and to be able to have more staff working safely in peak times.

We will be seeing those who are acutely unwell in the portakabin

IDC Audiology

The audiologist will be visiting Budbrooke in November on the 16th, 23rd & 30th and then in December they will be visiting on the 14th

This service is accessible via a referral. Please call reception and we can get you referred to them.

Flu/Covid swabbing

If you test negative for Covid but have flu/covid like symptoms – If you have flu/Covid like symptoms but test negative for Covid please do ask us for a test kit. It could be flu. We have had a positive test for flu back following a patient kindly completing research testing so we know that it is now circulating in the community. This allows researchers to find out as much as possible about flu strains circulating, to understand prevalence and therefore health needs. We need you to take the test before you have had your symptoms over 7 days

If you test positive for Covid – we are contacting patients by text to ask if they are willing to complete another swab for research on testing positive for Covid-19. This will allow researchers to complete genomic sequencing tests on the swab samples to understand if there are any mutations and to see if you are suffering with any seasonal viruses at the same time. All research swabs have genomic sequencing completed on them. This test will not affect your isolation period as this will be 10 days from symptom onset unless you are still suffering with a fever after 10 days or have new symptoms. Please do seek advice by calling us (or 111 if out of hours) if you are feeling increasingly unwell after 10 days.

In Preparation – we have a set of swab kits available for our patients to take in reception. Please do take a kit in the event you feel unwell. If you start to suffer with Covid or flu-like symptoms please do take a test kit for research purposes and send it back to the lab in the post (all postage and instructions are in the kit) as this will help understand what seasonal viruses are circulating, not just Covid. You can also email us at Enquiries@budbrookemc.nsh.uk and we can send you a code to get it delivered to your home


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Movember is an annual event involving the growing of moustaches during the month of November to raise awareness of men's health issues, such as prostate cancer, testicular cancer, and men's suicide





Covid booster jabs – GP Vaccination Clinic in Studley

If you are eligible for the Covid vaccine booster and you are now due please do contact the GP Covid Vaccination Clinic in Studley on 01926 698302 if you have not yet been contacted to book an appointment. They are open on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays. The vaccination clinic is based in Studley Village Hall, High street, Studley, B80 7HJ. There is parking available, if you require disabled parking please do drive around to the near the front door as disabled parking spaces are closest to the door.

Christmas and New Year opening

Please be aware of our opening days over Christmas and make sure that you have enough medication to get you through the days we are closed.

Christmas Eve Friday 24th Dec- Open

Monday 27th Dec – Closed

Tuesday 28th Dec – Closed

Wednesday 29th Dec – Open

Thursday 30th Dec – Open

Friday 31st Dec – Open

Monday 3rd Jan – Closed

Tuesday 4th Jan – Business as usual

Please email

Dispensary@budbrookemc.nhs.uk or use the online ordering facility to put in your requests



Flu Vaccines

Flu vaccines are now available for all people eligible including children

Please phone the surgery to book in for your vaccine

Patient Access and ordering repeat prescriptions

Patient Access is unfortunately playing up at the moment and some people are not able to request repeat prescriptions through it. We have reported the issue but unfortunately we have no control over it. If you are not able to make a request as normal please do either place a request either through our website where there is an online form you can fill in or submit an email with your request including the date of when you need the medication (to help us prioritise) to dispensary@budbrookemc.nhs.uk.

RSV swabbing in young children with respiratory symptoms

You may have heard in the press that RSV (respiratory syntactical virus) is increasing in prevalence in children at the moment, it is a winter virus and due to the previous lockdowns children have not had as much exposure to it compared to previous years. We have had a number of swabs back positive for this virus recently so it is in circulation.

RSV can be more severe in younger children, especially those under 5, leading to hospitalisation as it can lead to bronchiolitis for example. We ask that for any parents whose child is suffering with respiratory symptoms (cough, wheeziness, croup like symptoms) to consent to completing a nasal swab. If your child tests positive we will follow up with you to see how your child is and also request that you complete a questionnaire over the phone on your child's health on days 14 and 30 post symptom onset to understand how it has affected not only your child but you, eg. Time off work etc.