

## **News from Bottisham Medical Practice Patients' Group**

**New Signage:** The old dental surgery has been leased by the service for deaf children, which has put up their rather large notice on the Practice nameboard at the car park entrance. The surgery would be interested in hearing patients' opinions on this notice.

**University Students:** The practice is working with Cambridge University in securing the 2019/20 group of undergraduates who will continue their GP training at the Surgery throughout the year. The Reception team will let patients know when we have students present at consultations and there is the option to decline.

**Dispensary:** New staff have now been recruited which should ease the pressure there.

**Patients' Groups:** The GP contract requires practices to have a Patients' Group, the full title being Patient Participation Group (PPG). Each practice is required to make an annual self-declaration electronically to NHS England confirming that they '*have engaged with their PPG throughout the year and made available such feedback to the practice population*', '*including actions and reports including where they have acted on suggestions for improvement*'. Care Quality Commission inspectors also expect to see and engage with a PPG in each practice.

**Walks for Health:** The next walks with our accredited walk leader Steve Gilson start at 11.00 am from the surgery car park on 12 and 24 April, 10 and 22 May, 7 and 19 June 2019. Do join Steve for a walk he would be delighted to see you. Walks from Anglesey Abbey continue on Thursdays at 10am from the reception area.

**Next Meeting:** Next meeting will be Thursday 23 May 2019 at 6.30pm at the surgery.

**A.G.M:** Will be held on **Tuesday 30 April 7pm at the surgery.**

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