

## **Spalding GP Surgery Press Release**

Patients at a GP surgery in Spalding are being informed they will be automatically registered at an alternative GP surgery as early as October this year as part of plans to transform services in the area.

Spalding GP Surgery based at the Johnson Community Hospital in the town provide primary care medical services to over 3000 patients.

Since 2018, services at Spalding GP Surgery have been provided by Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust (LCHS). The contract that is currently in place with LCHS ends on the 30 September 2022.

LCHS have decided not to extend their contract, however, they have agreed to continue providing services at Spalding GP Surgery until an alternative service is in place.

NHS Lincolnshire Integrated Care Board (ICB), previously known as NHS Lincolnshire Clinical Commissioning Group), have now outlined plans to undertake a managed list dispersal through an Expression of Interest process.

This means that when the Expression of Interest process has been completed, patients registered at Spalding GP Surgery will be automatically registered at an alternative GP surgery.

In a letter sent to patients, Sarah-Jane Mills, Director of Primary Care, Communities and Social Value at the ICB reassured patients that during this process, they should continue to access services at Spalding GP Surgery as normal and encourages patients to share their views about what is important to them when accessing local primary care medical services.

To have their say, [patients can complete an online survey](#) (or collect a paper copy from the surgery).

Patients are also being invited to attend one of three drop-in events where they can talk to a member of the NHS team about the process.

The events are as follows:

- Event 1 – 6-8pm, 20 July 2022, Patio Room, Springfields Events & Conference Centre, Camel Gate, Spalding PE12 6ET
- Event 2 – 10am-12pm, 22 July 2022, Room ADM124/125, Johnson Community Hospital, Spalding Road, Pinchbeck, Spalding PE11 3DT
- Event 3 – 2.30pm-4.30pm, 18 August 2022, Patio Room, Springfields Events & Conference Centre, Camel Gate, Spalding PE12 6ET



If patients would like more information in general about the process or to request information in alternative formats, please contact the Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) by telephone on 0300 123 9553 or by email at [LHNT.LincsPALS@nhs.net](mailto:LHNT.LincsPALS@nhs.net). The service is open 9am – 5pm Monday to Friday (except Bank Holidays).

The consultation runs from Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022 until midnight on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022.