

Practice Profile



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We are a pro-active, well established, friendly, dispensing, innovative, training GP Practice with 6 GP partners (5.25 WTE). We provide primary care services for approximately 8,500 patients in a rural practice area of approximately 400 square miles with out of hours healthcare provided by NHS 111 and Shropdoc from 6.30pm to 8am, Monday to Friday and twenty-four hour cover on Saturday and Sunday. Local Shropdoc bases are at Brecon and Llandrindod Wells Hospitals. Some of our GPs undertake work for Shropdoc.

The Practice is set in a beautiful rural location nestling on the Welsh–English Border of Powys and Herefordshire and is within easy reach of the Brecon Beacons and Black Mountains. We have one surgery in Hay-on-Wye which is famed for its Literary Festival which takes place in May and for being one of the greatest second hand book centres in the world. We also have a second site in Talgarth which is the ancient capital of Brycheiniog, with its ancient Tower House and restored water mill and bakery. Local produce is available in abundance around the locality in shops and the many excellent restaurants. There are many opportunities to undertake adventurous land, air and water based activities in the immediate area. There is excellent and varied housing, good schools, and many other areas of interest within easy reach. Road and rail links are good, with the local train stations based at Hereford, Abergavenny. Cardiff, Swansea and Birmingham are all within driving distance.

In addition to the GP partners, our clinical team consists of two part-time salaried GPs, one part time ANP, one part time Primary Care Nurse Specialist, five part-time Practice Nurses, one Long Term Conditions Practitioner, three Health Care Assistants, and two part-time phlebotomists. As a training practice we have GP Registrars, and also host placements for healthcare workers such as Medical Students in their final year placement.

The Practice is managed by Dual Practice Managers, with support from an excellent administrative team, finance officer and I.T. support officer who between them manage our IT and telephony systems and the day to day running of the sites. We have a fantastic administration and operational team including part-time medical secretaries, part-time administrative clerks. Our welcoming front line staff is a team of part-time and full-time receptionists. As a dispensing practice we also have a team of full and part-time dispensers. We have attached local health board employed community staff including a District Nursing Team and Health Visitors.

Haygarth Doctors is part of a cluster group along with three other practices in South Powys, named the 'Red Kite'. This allows the practice to benefit from further attached staff such as in-house pharmacists and pharmacy technicians. This is an exciting new phase in general practice which is likely to expand to offer many other services to our patients in the near future.

Our Clinical IT system is EMISweb, and we try to be as paper-light as possible.

The buildings themselves are about 8 miles apart and both fully equipped and have excellent facilities.

Our doctors also manage a ward in our local Community Hospital at Bronllys, and also run a Community Resource Team in collaboration with the local Social Workers, and District Nursing Team. There is a local minor injuries unit based at Brecon whilst the nearest District General Hospitals are located in Abergavenny and Hereford.