**South Lincolnshire GP Alliance**

GP practices in the South of Lincolnshire have formed an alliance which will see us work more closely on the provision of services for our patients.

This new alliance will give those member practices taking part the opportunity to explore new and innovative ways of providing the highest quality safe care closer to our patient’s home.

Patients at our practices will remain registered with us and with their own GP. Patients will see no change to the day to day care that they receive. It is anticipated, however, that one of the benefits to our patients will be the ability to access a wider range of services locally or even in their own home.

Potential initiatives being considered include extending GP opening hours and taking a more collaborative approach to weekend working. This could see our patients being able to access a GP not necessarily at this practice but at one of the other practices who are part of the alliance.

Dr Majid Akram, Clinical Director of the alliance said:

“This local alliance of practices will ensure that the needs of patients are at the heart of everything we do. It is important that we continue to cater for the needs of an ever changing population and we are able to adapt services in line with the needs of patients and their carers. Linking practices together will enable us able to begin the process of developing cutting edge and evidence based care closer to the patients’ home. The size and diversity of this alliance shows our commitment to work with everyone who has a role in the delivery of health services in this community.”

Practices within the alliance include:

Bourne Galletley Practice, Hereward Medical Centre, Abbeyview Surgery, The Deepings Practice, Littlebury Medical Centre, Gosberton Medical Centre, Moulton Medical Centre, Long Sutton Medical Group, Beechfield Medical Centre, Munro Medical Centre, Pennygate Surgery, Glenside Practice, Market Cross Surgery, Colsterworth, Sutterton