

GRAFTAS AWARD

Recently Dr Peter was awarded a "GRAFTA". This stands for Grampian Recognition Awards for Teams and Staff. Dr Peter's award was in the category of Service Redesign or Development and recognised his work in Dementia over several years.



"This category covers an individual, or team, who provided, or is in the process of providing clear, sustainable benefits.

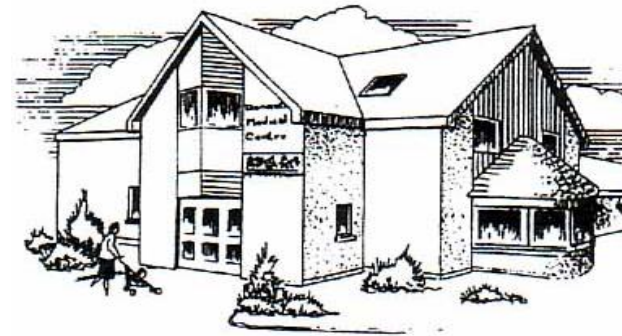
Under his leadership, many system-wide and significant service redesigns have been taken forward: such the GP Dementia Scholarship, where three cohorts of GPs from across Grampian completed the course. Peter led on the Aberdeen City Dementia Strategy Implementation plan with exciting initiatives, including the establishment of dementia-friendly communities and dementia cafes. Recently, he was the leading force in the successful dementia conference in Aberdeen attended by 250 professionals from Grampian."

Well done Dr Peter!



Danestone Matters Special Edition

Dr Peter Kiehlmann



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This is a bulletin we somehow couldn't imagine ourselves producing, as Dr Peter has been such a mainstay in the practice since he took it over in 1991. However, the time has indeed come to let you all know that Dr Peter plans to retire from Danestone in February 2016.

Dr Peter has been the longest serving GP at this practice, having taken it over as a single-handed practice in 1991, from Dr Ewen, who set it up from scratch in the mid-1980s.

Since then the practice has grown in size - the original premises were trebled in 1994; the list was 1,800 in 1991 and we now care for 5,000 patients. We have an excellent staff with 5 very able GP partners, a skilled nursing team and highly competent administration team, led by Practice Manager, Tracey Thom.



Dr Peter says

"2016 will be the 25th year that I have worked as a GP caring for the people in Danestone and beyond. It has been a huge privilege to get to know many people well, serving as their GP, giving medical care to pregnant Mums, babies, children and teenagers as well as adults with longterm medical problems. I've seen three

generations of many families, and have often helped them as they cope with family members with terminal illness and through the pain of grief. I've come to know many folks as friends and will be sad to leave.

Our practice motto is "working together, caring for your health" and over the years we have fulfilled that: doctors and staff working well together, and working well together with patients and families, not only caring for illness but promoting health and helping patients learn to care for their own health as far as possible.

The practice has been established on Christian principles to offer quality care, go the extra mile and look after people as individuals, both patients and staff.

We have been at the forefront of many developments in medicine and pioneered many quality services for the patients, through use of computers, GP fund holding, Quality Outcomes Framework, improving care of long term conditions, minor surgery provision, end of life care and counselling.

We have for many years been a training practice and it has been a great privilege to be part of training future generations of medics over these years.

Recently we have aimed to model healthy lifestyles by better eating, losing weight, encouraging exercise, health walks and I even cycle to some visits!

I've been honoured to work together with so many able people in Danestone - many of whom have come back to work in the practice after moving away or to another job!

In these well publicised times of recruitment problems in general practice I am pleased to be leaving Danestone with an excellent team of doctors with experience as GPs, along with the youthful enthusiasm which I had when Tricia and I came here in here in 1991. We have a great team of doctors, nurses and admin staff who will steer the 'good ship DMP' well in the next years of her voyage."

The Patient Participation Group (PPG), chaired by Andy Cowie, is kindly hosting an event to allow patients the opportunity to say farewell to Dr Peter. This is to take place in Danestone Congregational Church on Friday 19th February 2016 between 12.30pm and 1.30pm. A light buffet and tea/coffee will be served. ***If you would like to come along for some or all of this time please leave your name and contact phone number at the practice reception desk to allow for catering.***