

## **Patient Information – Hoon Hay Medical Centre**

### **Community Service Card holders**

As you may have read in the Media, the Government has provided all GPs with the opportunity to reduce doctor fees to enrolled patients holding a Community Service Card.

At this point in time, we have been unable to assess the effect on our medical centre, as we do not have enough information to be able to gauge whether or not our business would be sustainable. The Government has not provided a straight subsidy to make up the difference in the current fee to the new proposed level.

We are committed to continuing to provide our high level of service so cannot currently assess the impact this disparity may cause. We are very careful to keep our fees as low as possible, but we need to judge with more information, the impact the proposed new fee might have on the accessibility and quality of our services going forward.

We will continue to charge our CSC Holders at the standard consultation fee. This decision will be reviewed in March 2019, when the wider effects of these Government funding changes are more transparent.

### **Current financial support available to our patients**

Hoon Hay Medical Centre continues to provide financial support through existing Government funding incentives. These incentives are available to **ALL** enrolled patients who have high health needs requiring regular doctor appointments. We recognize the financial burden this can bring in paying your doctors' bill.

At Hoon Hay Medical Centre, we continue to offer available subsidized consultations on an individual-needs basis. Please discuss this with your Doctor.

### **Under 14's – Free Consultations**

Hoon Hay Medical Centre will be adopting the extension of Free consultations to the Under 14 Age group, with effect from Monday 3 December.

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