**Town Gate Practice - Chepstow**

Main Surgery – Town Gate Practice, Tempest Way, Chepstow Community Hospital,

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Trainers - Dr Alison Van Buren, Dr Gemma Bryning

Other GP partners - Dr Sarah Smith and Dr Andrew Thomas

**Location**. Chepstow is a small town on the eastern border of south east Wales. With the beautiful river Wye as the boundary between Wales and England we are most definitely a border practice! Our main surgery is in Monmouthshire, and our recently expanded branch surgery is in Gloucestershire.

There are good links to the M48, and M4 - and therefore Newport, Bristol and Cardiff. It is ideally situated to explore the Wye Valley and Forest of Dean.

**Practice.** We are one of three practices in Chepstow, and have about 9000 patients. With a large practice area, we cover a mix of rural, semi–rural and urban populations, and this ensures a good variety of general practice experience.

Our main surgery is within Chepstow Community Hospital, which was opened in March 2000. Thus we work from a modern, purpose built premises. Many of the allied health services are also based here, such as district nurses, health visitors, counsellors, and physiotherapy; as well as secondary care outpatient clinics in various specialties. These are all very convenient for teaching during your GP post.

We have recently expanded our branch surgery to give us a larger, more modern base from which to serve the expanding population of Chepstow.

We have many other staff working in our team; clinical staff including salaried GPs, advanced nurse practitioner, practice nurses, health care assistants, practice pharmacist and dispensers; and the very important non- clinical staff who enable the practice to function.

We offer patients core general medical services, and a variety of enhanced series such as contraception (IUCDs, contraceptive implants), and minor surgery.

**Training** The practice has been a training practice since the 1970s, and with the teaching of final year medical students from Cardiff University has a strong commitment to training. Dr Alison Van Buren completed her own training at the practice in 1995, and has been a partner since then. She finally bit the bullet and became a trainer herself in 2010. Dr Gemma Bryning has been with the practice since April 2011, and became a trainer in 2018. She has first- hand experience of your e-portfolio!

All the staff both clinical and non-clinical contribute to training, and enjoy doing so.

The GP training week is structured according to Deanery requirements. We have a weekly Friday lunchtime meeting of which you will be a part, which covers clinical and quality improvement topics. We are fully computerised, currently using EMIS web.

We aim to offer a very friendly and supportive training environment.

Do feel free to contact us, or visit us for an informal chat. We are here to help you! General Practice is an amazing job - come and find out.

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