



Broomhill & Lodge Moor
SURGERIES

PRACTICE PROTOCOL

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Hospital Prescriptions - Private and NHS

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Hospital Appointment - NHS

If you see a Doctor or Nurse Practitioner in Hospital and they give you a prescription, this is to take to the hospital pharmacy, you cannot take it to a community Pharmacy nor can you bring it to a GP and ask us to transfer it to a FP10 so that it will go to the community Pharmacy.

Private Hospital Appointment

If you see a private doctor or specialist and they recommend a particular medication or treatment for you, this will be a private prescription. The GP practice will not convert a private prescription onto an NHS prescription.

If you ask your GP to take over or continue prescribing of a medication or treatment recommended by the private doctor or specialist once you are stable, they will need to be satisfied that prescribing is appropriate, responsible and what they would prescribe for other NHS patients with the same diagnosis/condition.

Please note we do not accept “shared care” with any private or Right to Choose providers.

Your GP may not prescribe the medication suggested by a private doctor in the following circumstances:

- The medication is generally not prescribed on the NHS.
- The medication can only be prescribed by a specialist doctor.
- The medication can only be prescribed by the GP if an NHS shared care agreement is in place and the GP is not willing to accept this agreement.
- The use of the medication is not compatible with national or local prescribing guidelines.
- The medication is not licensed in the UK or is being used for a purpose not included in its UK licence.
- The GP does not believe the medication is appropriate or necessary for you.

If your GP is unable to prescribe the medication suggested by the private doctor, they may give you the option of having a different but equally effective medication prescribed on the NHS.

Alternatively, if you prefer, you can pay for your private prescription through your private doctor.

