



Hartpury Medical Centre

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COVID-19 Policy

At Hartpury Medical Centre we are committed to keep our patients and staff safe. We would therefore like to reassure you that we are following the current Coronavirus Government guidelines set out for professionals working within healthcare. All our staff have undertaken mandatory training in infection control, PPE and basic life support in relation to the current government COVID-19 guidelines.

Due to the continued risk of infection we offer all our patients the opportunity to have a virtual consultation as their first appointment. Prior to any face to face consultation a risk assessment will be made on a patient by patient basis and in the best interests of the patient whilst also ensuring the safety of the treating clinician, staff, other patients and members of the public.

We require all patients to sign a COVID-19 treatment consent form prior to treatment. Consent will include but not be limited to: the close patient contact required for manual treatment and risks of transmission and exposure, the level of PPE that a clinician will be required to wear to mitigate the risk of transmission and the infection prevention and control measures that will be taken. Symptom check and temperature check will be conducted for all patients entering the clinic.

We urge any of our patients not to attend clinic if you have any of the following symptoms:

- Persistent cough and/or sore throat
- Shortness of breath
- Recent loss of smell/taste
- Temperature >100.3F

Due to the close proximity to patients required to undertake treatment, heightened measures of infection control and the use of PPE is recommended to reduce the risk of transmission to and from the patient/clinician. Public Health England (PHE) is regularly updating and issuing new PPE guidance in response to the changing nature of the virus. All staff within the Hartpury Medical Centre are adhering to PHE guidance regarding PPE during face to face consultations and continue to practise good hand hygiene and social distancing within clinic.

The general guidelines set out by the Government concerning social distancing, self-isolating, testing, and other matters, can be found on <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus> .

Please do not hesitate to contact us to discuss your concerns if you were to have any in regards to the current pandemic and our services at Hartpury Medical Centre.