

INFORMATION FOR PATIENTS

NHS prescribing for New Patients

If you are a new patient to Studholme Medical Centre then it may take several weeks before the NHS send to us your medical records. Until such records are available it would be very helpful if you could provide us with your past and current medical conditions including any medications you may be taking. It would also help if you brought a copy of your repeat prescription request sheet to the GP/pharmacist appointment.

For regular repeat medications, you will need to book an appointment with a GP or our Pharmacists before we can issue your next prescription.'

There are a number of circumstances when a GP or our Pharmacists may not be able to give you a prescription or they may need to offer an alternative medicine.

For example:

- 1) A full diagnosis, with appropriate test results, has not been provided or is available from the hospital consultant.
- 2) He or she feels the medicine is not clinically necessary
- 3) The medication is an unlicensed medicine
- 4) The medication is prescribed outside of its licensed indications
- 5) The medication needs special monitoring and he or she feels they do not have the expertise to do this
- 6) Locally CCG guidelines require the use of a more cost effective medicine.