

## Main Surgery

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## Branch Surgery

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## Hellos and Goodbyes

Dr Sandra Holmes, our Career Start Doctor, will be leaving us in May to take up a permanent job in Aberdeenshire. We wish her all the best in her new position.

Dr Samantha Wheelan has joined us as a part-time Assistant to help cover the sessions Dr Jamieson will now be working for the CHP. (Community Health Partnership)

## Additional Public Holiday

*The practice will now be closed for the Royal Wedding on Friday 29th April 2011.*

## Protected Learning Time

The practice will be closing at 1.30 pm for training on the following days:  
Wednesday 11th May 2011  
Wednesday 8th June 2011  
Wednesday 7th September 2011  
Wednesday 9th November 2011

## Registering with a GP

Do you know anyone who is living in the Cove or Kincorth area and not registered with a GP or who has moved outside their previous GP's practice boundary?

Most people don't realise that a period of non registration with a GP might invalidate certain Travel Insurance policies.

We are happy to register anyone living within our practice boundaries who are not currently registered with a GP or who have moved into our boundaries and are now outwith their previous GP's boundaries.

You can register with our practice by coming in past and completing a registration form or you can start the process by

completing a registration form via our practice website. Our website address is **[www.covebayandkincorthmedical.co.uk](http://www.covebayandkincorthmedical.co.uk)**

## Travel Clinics

Our travel clinics become busier over the summer period so please ensure you contact us in plenty of time and at least **6 weeks in advance of travel.**

Once you have booked a travel appointment with our nurse you must complete a travel form and return it to the practice in advance of your travel appointment. If you do require any vaccinations a further appointment will be required for this to be done.

## Cove Surgery Handrail

Our Patient Group have highlighted that some patients might feel more secure if there was a handrail from the disabled car park spaces to the front door of the practice. As this is not technically a building requirement, the landlord is not required to install a handrail.

If there are any local Cove businesses who would be interested in sponsoring installing the handrail they should contact our Business Manger, Louise Dey, at the practice.

## DNA Rates

Our latest DNA (Did Not Attend) rates continue to be a cause for concern.

**In January 2011 alone 141 people did not attend their GP appointment.** This equates to FOUR whole days of GP surgery wasted in a single month! This is part of the reason why there can be a wait for a GP appointment. PLEASE ring to cancel if you no longer need your GP appointment so it can be offered to other patients.