Telephone Calls

Doctors do not accept non-urgent telephone calls during patient consultations. Messages for your doctor may be left with the reception staff. These will be addressed by your doctor and staff will contact you with a response as soon as possible.

Referrals

A referral must be written for all specialist visits. The patient must be seen by a doctor to obtain referrals.

Please do not ask for your referral to be back dated. This is not in accordance with Medicare. requirements. Referrals written by a GP are usually valid for one year from the date of your first appointment with your chosen specialist.

Repeat Prescriptions

A repeat prescription for your regular medication can be requested over the phone or via the HotDoc app. This is at the discretion of the GP and dependent on their workload on the day.

The patient must have been to see the GP within the last six months, and been prescribed the medication previously. This service will incur a fee. Please see reception for a copy of your GP's fee schedule as the cost may vary with each GP.

Privacy Policy

The Lorn Surgery abides by the National Privacy Principles. Your medical records are handled with the utmost respect for your privacy, and are used by your medical practitioner and other authorised staff in the practice when necessary.

Parking and Facilities for People with a Disability

There are 20 car spaces directly in front of the surgery that are reserved for patients who can't walk the 250m from the rear car park, which has a further 55 car spaces. To exit the rear car park you need to enter a 4 digit code which will be given to you by reception as you leave the surgery.

There is ramp access to the front of the building, as well as auto opening doors. All areas of the practice are wheelchair and low mobility accessible and we have dedicated accessible bathrooms.

Complaints

All attempts are made to help our practice run efficiently and to provide courteous and friendly staff in pleasant and comfortable surroundings.

Any suggestions that will improve the practice are welcomed and can be given verbally or in writing to any member of our team.

Should a problem arise and a complaint be made, it is hoped that this can be dealt with directly - and in person - with the member of the practice involved. If this is not possible, the complaint can be referred to our Office Manager.

If you wish for the complaint to be dealt with outside the practice, you can contact the Health Care Complaints Commission:

Ph: (02) 9219 7444 Toll free (NSW) 1800 043 159 Email: hccc@hccc.nsw.gov.au

Services

The Lorn Surgery offers the full scope of general services, including (but not limited to):

ATSI Health Care Women's Health Weight Loss Skin Checks Preventative Medicine **Immunisations** General Medicine Antenatal Medicine Podiatry Diabetes Care and Education Dietetics and nutrition Lactation Consults ADHD consultations After Hours Care



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1300 555 727

TTY number

133 677 SMS relay number

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AUSLAN Interpreter Service

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Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS)

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Holly and Jess

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Marianne Kerrin Edwina Isobel Chelsea Grace Ella Makaylah Jacki April

Appointments

Appointments are required, except in emergencies. Standard appointments are 15 minutes. Please inform our reception staff when you book your appointment if you think you will need a longer consultation. Appointments can also be made online through the HotDoc app. While we try to honour your request for a particular GP, not all doctors are available every day.

As a courtesy, please notify staff as soon as possible if you cannot attend your appointment. Failure to give adequate notice may result in a cancellation fee. Please see reception for a copy of our fee structure along with our cancellation and non-attendance policy.

Fees and Payments

As independent businesses, each clinician has their own fee schedule. GP fees are based on the duration of your consultation and are generally billed in 5 minute increments. An average GP consultation lasting 10-14 minutes costs \$71-98. Currently, no clinicians are offering a concessional rate to health care card holders. For a full listing of your clinician's fee schedule please see reception.

It is appreciated that all accounts are settled on the day of your appointment. Please discuss any payment difficulties with your GP or allied health provider.

After Hours Service

As a part of our commitment to providing a premium general practice service, existing patients of The Lorn Surgery can now request after-hours home visits and phone consultations.

Practice patients can now access medical care from our practice doctors 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Please see reception or refer to our website for fees.

For bookings, please phone **(02) 4933 2622**