Kennoway Medical Group

TRAVEL NEEDS ASSESSMENT, TRAVEL ADVICE & VACCINATION SERVICE

IMPORTANT PATIENT INFORMATION

We ask you to read this important information prior to requesting a Travel Schedule from our Reception.

Please visit <u>www.fitfortravel.nhs.uk</u> for travel health & vaccination information for the Country you are travelling to, or consult your travel operator for information on the Country's regulations for entry.

Please note we provide, under the NHS, a travel needs assessment. This is carried out by our Nurse, not the doctor. Should you need vaccinations, those available under the NHS will be issued on an NHS prescription. However, you may need a private travel clinic service if the vaccinations or medications are not available through the NHS.

We encourage patients to attend a Travel Clinic, however our Nurse here can also provide you with a Private appointment if you would prefer. The Nurse does this for the convenience of our patients, as we recognise some patients may not wish to travel to another clinic. We only provide this service to patients already registered with the Practice.

AN INITIAL £15 IS TO BE PAID ON COLLECTION OF A PRIVATE PRESCRIPTION. THIS IS FOR ADMINISTRATION.

IF YOU DO NOT REQUIRE A VACCINE BUT YOU DO REQUIRE MEDICATION, THEN A FEE OF £15 WILL BE CHARGED (OVER AND ABOVE THE £15 ADMINISTRATION CHARGE)

IF A VACCINATION IS REQUIRED, A FEE OF £30 WILL BE CHARGED (OVER AND ABOVE THE £15 ADMINISTRATION CHARGE) FOR A PRIVATE TRAVEL CLINIC APPOINTMENT TO ADMINISTER THIS.

Below are 2 of the Travel Clinics you can attend, this choice is totally yours, you should shop around. Other GP Practices may offer a Travel Clinic Service to patient's not registered with them, however we do not have any information on these, you would need to make your own enquiries at other GP surgeries. Each GP surgery operates a different Travel Service for their patients.

The Western General Hospital Travel Clinic	Davidson Mains Travel Clinic
Regional Infectious Diseases Unit, Ward 41 OPD	5 Quality Street, Davidsons Main, Edinburgh, EH4 5BP
Western General Hospital, Crewe Road South, Edinburgh,	Tel No : 0131 336 2291
EH4 2XU	
Tel: 0131 537 2822 (leaflets are available from our Reception	
on request)	

YELLOW FEVER CENTRE ONLY – NO OTHER TRAVEL CLINIC SERVICE AVAILABLE The Cannons Surgery

Fisher Street, Methil, Fife, KY8 3HD Tel: 01333 426083

NHS Prescription Vaccinations

Diptheria / Tetanus / Polio Hepatitis A MMR Smallpox, Typhoid, Hepatitis B (usually only for healthcare workers to work abroad)

Private Prescription Vaccinations (Not Available on NHS Prescription)

Japanese Encephalitis, Meningococcal, Rabies, Tick borne Encephalitis Yellow Fever – please note we are not a yellow fever vaccination centre, you should enquire at a Travel clinic. You may not be able to enter the Country to which you're travelling without a Yellow Fever Certificate, you should consult your travel operator or the Country's Embassy to find out if you will need a certificate.

Other Travel Medications

Malaria prophylaxis – some products can be purchased directly from a Pharmacy, others need to be prescribed on a Private Prescription.

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If you choose to have a Travel Needs Assessment undertaken by the Practice, this is how it works.

We ask you to complete a Travel Schedule at least <u>6 weeks</u> prior to your travel, 14 days after you hand in the completed schedule you should contact us to obtain your travel pack that will detail any vaccinations required and any charges that you will incur. This is an NHS Service and therefore no fee is payable. <u>Please note we **do not** contact you when the pack is ready</u>.

Your pack will include;

- Travel Advice
- Any NHS Prescriptions, if appropriate
- Any private prescriptions, if appropriate
- An invoice, if appropriate

If you are issued with an NHS prescription, obtain your vaccination from the pharmacy and pay any NHS prescription charge, book a routine appointment with the Treatment Room Nurse to have the vaccines administered. Remember to bring the vaccines with you to the appointment, or hand them into us in advance and we will store them for you.

If your travel needs do not fall under the NHS, and you are issued with a private prescription only you will be asked to pay £15 when you collect your travel pack from Reception.

If you are issued with a private prescription for non-NHS travel vaccinations, you will need to book a "Private Travel Clinic" appointment with the Nurse, please note that the Nurse undertakes these appointments outwith her NHS nursing hours. When you book this appointment you will be asked to pay £30.00. If our appointment times do not suit, you may have to wait until a suitable appointment can be made or you have the choice of an alternative Travel clinic. You should allow 3-4 days for the pharmacy to process your private prescription to obtain the vaccines as some might not keep them in stock.

If you only require vaccinations available on the NHS then there is no charge payable for the Travel Needs Assessment and giving of any NHS vaccinations, except, of course, the NHS prescription charge payable at the pharmacy.