



Minchinhampton Surgery

Applying to be an “Out-of-Area Registered Patient”

If you would like to apply as an “Out-of-Area Registered Patient”, please return this form to reception. The practice will review your application and inform whether we can accept you as an out-of-area patient within 2 weeks.

Patient statement (*tick both boxes*):

I would like to register as an ‘Out-of-Area Registered Patient’ at Minchinhampton Surgery

I understand that Minchinhampton Surgery will not provide home visits or other urgent care to me when outside the practice area and I cannot reasonably be expected to attend the practice

Patient details:

Full name:	
DOB:	
NHS number:	
Old address:	
New address:	
Signature:	
Date:	

If you would like to change your data consents for sharing your healthcare record & information, please inform the surgery when handing in your form. Otherwise, the consents will be kept the same as previously indicated by yourself.

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Moving Out-of-Area

If you have recently moved outside our practice boundary, it is advised that you register at a GP surgery closer to your home. If you have recently told us that you have moved out-of-area, you will be given 30 days in which to make alternative arrangements. Please speak to our practice manager if you are concerned about this. Our GPs here have drawn the geographical “catchment” boundary (see our website) to ensure they can safely carry out home visits, considering travel times, and this boundary has been agreed with NHS England.

How do I find a new GP Practice?

The NHS website (www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-GP) will allow you to do a postcode search to find information about your nearest surgeries, including whether they are accepting new patients. Before you choose a new GP surgery it is advised to read the section about choosing a GP practice based on its facilities, services, access, and performance. You could also ask your new neighbours, friends, relatives, or others you trust for recommendations.

What will happen once I register at another practice?

When you register with another practice you will automatically be removed from our patient list. All your electronic medical notes will normally immediately transfer to your new GP, with your paper notes following.

I am currently in the middle of treatment what do I do?

It is normally in your best interest to register at a local GP surgery as soon as possible after moving. However, if you need emergency treatment or have treatment more than once a week, you can get treatment from your current GP until your condition improves or until a new GP practice accepts you.

Applying as an “out-of-area” patient

From 2015, patients who move outside our practice area can apply to register as an “Out-of-Area Registered Patient”. Minchinhampton Surgery will not provide home visits or other urgent care to the patient when outside the practice area and the patient cannot reasonably be expected to attend the practice. If such care is needed the patient would need to ring 111 for this to be organised. It is at the discretion of the practice whether to accept patients who live out-of-area. The decision is based on the following considerations:

- Whether there are clinical conditions or care needs which mean registration without the ability to do home visits would compromise clinical care
- Whether the patient’s needs would be better met through registration to a nearer practice
- Whether practical reasons mean that the patient is unlikely to benefit from out of area registration – for example, if the patient will not be spending frequent periods of time in or near our practice area