

## BALLIOL COLLEGE

### MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS

The following information is of the greatest importance. Please read this and the letter from the College Doctors carefully and take the necessary action as soon as you possibly can: it will generally be much easier for you to do this at home where you can check the medical information required.

#### **1. Registration with the College Doctors**

Oxford University does not have a centralised Student Health Service but each College has an association with one or other of the local medical practices. In our case this is the practice at 19 Beaumont Street. The Government regulations for overseas students have recently been revised and introduce a specific exemption category for those on a full-time course of study lasting six months or more and for those on a course lasting less than six months if it is substantially funded by the UK Government. This exemption extends to the student's spouse and children only if they are living with the student in the UK for the full duration of the course. For further information please see the UK Department of Health's website at <http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Healthcare/Entitlementsandcharges/OverseasVisitors/index.htm>

**The College expects all graduate and undergraduate members of the College to have an Oxford doctor; the College Doctors are Dr Chris Kenyon and Dr Deborah Waller and their partners at 19 Beaumont Street, Oxford, OX1 2NA; they will accept any member of the College as a patient.** Appointments to see any of the doctors may be made by telephone (01865 240501) or at the reception desk (8.00 am to 6.00 pm). Please visit [www.19beaumontstgp.nhs.uk](http://www.19beaumontstgp.nhs.uk) for more information.

**Please complete and return the medical questionnaire and form GMS1 to 19 Beaumont Street as soon as possible using the envelope provided (please remember to stamp the envelope);** refer to the letter from the College Doctors for more information. If you are already registered with another Oxford practice and do not wish to change, please inform the Academic Administrator and the College Nurse ([academic.administrator@balliol.ox.ac.uk](mailto:academic.administrator@balliol.ox.ac.uk); [alison.nicholls@balliol.ox.ac.uk](mailto:alison.nicholls@balliol.ox.ac.uk)).

#### **2. Medical Examination**

Students with long term medical conditions which will require ongoing support while in Oxford should contact the medical practice as soon as possible after registration in order to put whatever arrangements will be required in place. In some cases this will need to be a face to face meeting but in straightforward cases it may be possible to make arrangements by emailing the practice.

#### **3. Immunisations for Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) and Meningitis C**

*These vaccinations should be done before coming to Oxford.* If this proves impossible they can be given by the College Medical Practice but this will very much be the exception rather than the rule.

#### **4. Dental Treatment**

The dental practice of Coulter, Dahlman and Nagi will accept any member of the College for regular or emergency care. However, only junior members will be eligible for NHS treatment. The practice is at 3 George Street, Oxford (tel. 01865 244304). The hours are 8.30 am to 5.15 pm, Monday to Friday (4.30 pm Friday). If you are entitled to exemption from NHS charges it is mandatory that you are in possession of your exemption certificate number **before you attend for treatment**, otherwise you will be charged the appropriate NHS fee. Such fees are normally reclaimable retrospectively. The exemption forms, HC1/HC2, can be obtained from any Post Office or at the Practice. Out of hours emergency care is provided by Oxfordshire Primary Care Trust who can be contacted on 0845 345 8995.

#### **5. Swine Flu**

Balliol has a Pandemic Committee formed in 2007 in response to Avian Flu. The committee members are the Dean, Praefectus, College Nurse, Domestic Bursar, Accommodation Manager and IT Manager.