Snaith & Rawcliffe Medical Group

Dear Patients

We are disappointed to announce that the East Riding of Yorkshire CCG (Clinical Commissioning Group) are no longer willing to fund a number of services that we have up to now provided within the practice. We realise this will cause inconvenience to you but we cannot continue to provide a service for which the funding has been withdrawn.

The two services which will be affected in this financial year will be:

**24 hour ECG (Heart monitor)** which we have provided for patients with suspected abnormal heart rhythms. These patients will be referred on to local heart specialists. This has been discontinued as of 1 April 2015

**Phlebotomy (blood sampling)**

We will continue to take blood samples from the following groups of patients:

* Patients on Warfarin
* Patients on special drugs requiring monitoring (e.g. Lithium and Methotrexate)
* Patients for whom we take samples at a Hospitals or Specialists request
* Patients who need a blood test after an operation

We will no longer be able to provide a service to take blood samples from other patients from 1 July 2015. These patients will need to attend the walk in clinic at Goole & District Hospital as do patients from other local practices.

We have done everything within our power to try to get these services funded but recognise you may wish to express your unhappiness at this change.

If you do wish to complain we suggest you contact:

**Patient Services**, East Riding of Yorkshire CCG, Health House, Grange Park Lane, Willerby, HU10 6DT or ERYCCG.ComplaintsAndConcerns@nhs.net

 **Andrew Percy MP** at 81-83 Pasture Road, Goole, North Humberside DN14 6BP for East Riding residents

**Nigel Adams MP** at 17 High Street, Tadcaster LS24 9AP for North Yorkshire residents