

**A MESSAGE FROM ANNE LITTLE & LINDA BLANCHARD**

**JOINT CHAIR ELMWOOD FAMILY DOCTORS PPG**

We are both long standing residents of the Holme Valley and have been very satisfied at Elmwood Family Doctors in the time that we have lived here.

Becoming members of the Patient Participation Group (PPG) has given us both the opportunity to support and give patient feedback to the Practice, as well as being kept up to date with what is happening with Elmwood Family Doctors.

Elmwood Family Doctors has practices in Holmfirth and Meltham, and as a PPG we would like to encourage patients from both sites to come and join our group of representatives.

Our meetings are held quarterly. These are held in the evenings, usually at 7pm on Tuesdays. The meetings are supported by GPs, admin staff and guest speakers.

At the meetings we are updated on current health subjects, what is happening within the practices and the wider Primary Care Network. We are able to discuss any issues from a patient perspective, be they positive or negative.

Our role as Chair is to attend Patient Representative Group Network meetings and feedback any relevant information that would be of interest to Elmwood PPG.

Ultimately, we are a group of patients that want to work as a 'Critical Friend' to Elmwood Family Doctors.

If you would like to come and join the PPG, please ask at either surgery for our contact details and we will be pleased to answer any questions you may have.

Anne Little & Linda Blanchard

