

# THE MEDICAL PRACTICE AT 48 WIMPOLE STREET

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## **Practice Paediatric Policy Overview**

Sophia vocationally trained and 6 month job in Paediatrics including much Paediatric A and E at Queen Elizabeth Children's Hospital in Hackney. Mother of 3 children aged 4, 3, and 4 months. Attends regular PGEA certificated courses to keep up to date: 2003 (2 day course), March 2004 (3 day course). See attached certification.

Nick gained paediatric experience through 15 years general practice. For the first 4 years under the supervision of his predecessor, an experienced GP. Father of 2 children aged 5 and 2.

Graeme and Nita also vocationally trained NHS GP's with significant paediatric experience.

### General Paediatrics

< 12 months – see Sophia or Graeme or Nita only

12 months – 5 years – see Sophia or Graeme or Nita / check with Nick

> 5 years – see any Dr

Female paediatric problems best booked with Sophia or Nita – inform/discuss with parents

### Paediatric Referrals

Nick able to deal with common acute problems such as infections/temperatures/earache/cough/sore throats following SIGN guidelines

Nick has low threshold for referral to secondary care – general and specialist paediatricians

### Out of Hours Paediatrics

24 hour telephone advice available

Visits usually made by Doctorcall – at parents request

Again Nick has lower threshold for secondary referral

Secondary referral to either St Marys / Chelsea and Westminster Paediatric A and E's via on call Paediatric registrar / Portland Hospital unbooked clinic or Consultant on call

### Paediatric Immunisations

All to booked in with Sophia or Nita. We follow Government guidelines re vaccination as in the red and green book.

Questions re MMR controversy to be directed to the Drs. Practice view supports combined MMR. [www.mmrthefacts.com](http://www.mmrthefacts.com)

Currently Flu vaccinations are only given to children > 6 unless medically indicated.

### Paediatric Health Surveillance/Developmental Checks

Book 8 week check with Sophia along with first set of immunisations.

Later reviews > 5 years including camp medicals can be booked with any Doctor.

The Red Book section is filled and the patient asked to give copy to their NHS GP and HV where applicable to feed into the National Database.

Routine urine analysis where possible but not phlebotomy.

### Paediatric Phlebotomy

Always prescribe EMLA first. Advise parents re this. Blood can be taken by any Dr or dedicated service at The Doctors Laboratory.