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**Dear New Mum** 

Congratulations on the arrival of your new baby!

We are aware this is a very busy and tiring time for new mums and we have no wish to intrude or disturb you unnecessarily. The purpose of this letter is to just to let you know about registering your baby with the surgery and the important routine health checks for you and your baby and how to arrange these.

**Within 14 days of baby's birth** - As you are a registered patient with us, we automatically provide primary medical services to your baby in their first 14 days of life. Please register your baby as a permanent patient with us as soon as possible. Registration form enclosed.

Please contact us as soon as convenient on **01202 886999** to arrange a GP appointment for a routine postnatal check for you and the 6 week health check for your baby. Please tell the Receptionist the purpose of the appointment when you call so that the appropriate amount of time with the GP can be booked for you. Please also **book your baby's 1**<sup>st</sup> **immunisations** which are due when your baby is 8 weeks old.

Please remember to bring the baby's Red Book with you to these appointments.

You can make/cancel appointments and order medication online if you register for online access. If you would like to use this service please bring a form of photo ID into Reception and we will provide you with your user ID and password.

If you have any health concerns about yourself or your baby outside these routine checks, please contact us on 01202 886999 to arrange a consultation with one of our doctors. We hope the above information is helpful to you and that both you and your baby enjoy a healthy and trouble free postnatal period.

Another useful resource is the website <u>Wessex Healthier Together</u> (<u>www.what0-18.nhs.uk</u>) which is a website directed towards empowering parents to know when to seek the advice of a health professional.

Yours sincerely

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