



Chaperone Policy

Our practice is committed to providing a safe, supportive environment for patients. All patients will have a chaperone present for every consultation, examination or procedure. Usually this will be the Nurse but it may also be a family member or friend.

A Chaperone must assist the patient to the practice if they are;

- Under 16 years old
- A vulnerable adult

A nurse can not be responsible for chaperoning them and assisting the clinician to ensure their treatment is carried out to the best quality.

The role of a chaperone includes:

- Providing emotional comfort and reassurance to patients
- To act as an interpreter
- To provide protection to healthcare professionals against unfounded allegations of improper behaviour.