

If you wish to make a complaint on behalf of someone else

We need to know that you have their permission to do so. Strict patient confidentiality rules still apply, even for complaints.

You will need to provide a written letter of authorisation from that person or if they are unable to do this, you will need to complete a patient consent form available from the service manager.

Other ways to make a complaint

NHS Wakefield Clinical Commissioning Group
By phone: 01924 213050

Wakefield Patient Advice & Liaison Service
By phone: 0300 311 22 33

Independent Complaints Advocacy Service (ICAS)
By phone: 0845 120 3734

The Parliamentary and Health Service Ombudsman
By phone: 0345 015 4033

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Got a complaint or feedback?

GP CARE WAKEFIELD



Evening and weekend appointments

By email: wakccg.gpcwmanagement@nhs.net

By phone: 01924 677000

By post: Conexus Healthcare Ltd, Sandal Castle Medical Centre, Asdale Rd, Wakefield WF2 7JE

GP practices across Wakefield work together to provide urgent and routine appointments on evenings and weekends.

This service is known locally as **GP Care Wakefield**.

GP Care Wakefield is an NHS service provided by Conexus Healthcare; a GP-led group made up of all GP practices in the Wakefield district.

If we've let you down, tell us

As a team, we always aim to give the best possible service every time.

We hope that everyone leaves our clinics satisfied they have received a professional service and been treated with respect but if you feel we've let you down somehow, please tell us about it.

The easiest way to do this is to let a member of our team know before you leave the clinic. You can also get in touch with our service manager, Russell Houghton, after your visit.

By knowing about the problem, we can try our best to solve it straightaway for you.

Our service manager's contact details are on the front of this leaflet.

We promise to deal with every complaint quickly, professionally and confidentially.

How to make a formal complaint

We hope that most problems can be sorted out easily and quickly, preferably at the time they arise and with the person concerned but if your problem cannot be resolved in this way, or you wish to make a formal complaint, this is how to do it.

Complaints can be made by telephone, in person, or in writing to our service manager. **Please try to give as much information as you can.**

If you are making a formal complaint on someone's behalf and they need extra support such as translation services or help to complete forms, we can help with that too.

Once we receive your complaint, our service manager will be in touch within three working days to confirm she has received it and provide a more detailed response within a timescale agreed with you.

The service manager will investigate your complaint to:

- Find out what happened and what went wrong
- Make it possible for you to discuss the problem with those concerned, if you would like to
- Make sure you receive an apology
- Identify what we can do to make sure the problem does not happen again.

Who can make a complaint?

- Patient or former patient at our evening and weekend clinics
- A representative of a patient who is incapable of making the complaint themselves
- Person affected, or likely to be affected, by the action, omission or decision of individuals working at our clinic.