

CARERS

Do you look after someone who is ill, frail, disabled or mentally ill? If so, you are a carer. We are interested in identifying carers, especially those people who may be caring without help or support. We know that carers are often "hidden" looking after a family member or helping a friend or neighbour with day to day tasks and may not see themselves as a carer.

We feel that caring for someone is an important and valuable role in the community, which is often a 24-hour job that can be very demanding and isolating for the carer. We further believe carers should receive appropriate support by way of access to accurate information on a range of topics such as entitlement to benefits and respite care and not least, a listening ear when things get too much.

If you are a carer, this is an opportunity to let the practice know so that we can update our records and pass on your details to the Carers Support Worker who can provide relevant information and advice on local support services and a newsletter.

Please complete the application form on the reverse of this sheet and return it to the surgery.

CARERS IDENTIFICATION AND REFERRAL FORM

If you are a carer we would like to support you. Please complete this form and deliver to reception. The information will be added to your medical record and the record of the person you care for.

If you are agreeable, we will pass your details to our Carers Support Worker who can provide a newsletter, relevant information and advice and details of local support services.

The Carers Support Worker can assess your needs as a carer and the possible ways help could be given. They may also look at the needs of the person you care for.

Please pass my details to the Carers Support Worker YES/NO

Please send me newsletters YES/NO

Carer's Name	
Date of Birth	
Address	
Post Code	
Telephone Number	
Any Relevant Information	

Patient's Name	
Date of Birth	
Address (If different from above)	
Post Code	
Telephone Number (If different from above)	
GP Details (If different from carer)	