**Information for Trans (transgender) Patients**

**Changing Your Name**

Simply complete a change of name request form available from reception. We will ask to see proof of a name change (such as a deed pole or marriage certificate) along with photographic evidence (driving licence or passport). If you cannot provide this evidence, please call, or email reception to discuss this further. bmp.reception@nhs.net

**Changing Your Title**

You can change your title from Mr to Mx, or Miss, Mrs, Ms to Mx without changing your gender.

If you want to change your title from Miss, Mrs, Ms to Mr, or Mr to Miss, Mrs, Ms. You will have to change your gender on your NHS records too.

We will need to see proof of a title change, along with photographic evidence as detailed in the Changing Name section.

**Changing Your Gender**

You can do this at any time, by informing us in writing to pm.bampton@nhs.net

You do not have to have undergone any form of gender reassignment treatment. You must be aware that changing your gender will mean you will be allocated a new NHS number, and your pre-existing NHS number will no longer be accessible or be reversible. Your previous notes will be merged to your new notes, minus any previous identity information.

*\*Unfortunately, the NHS only accepts a male or female gender for registration and for gender change currently, if you wish to choose non binary or other, we can add an alert to your notes, so we as a practice know your preferred gender. Without a male or female gender, we cannot register you or change your gender as Primary Care Services England (PCSE) will reject the application. Sadly, this is out of our hands, but we and others across the UK have raised this issue to get the system changed, when will this be, we do not know. We do understand your frustrations.*

A new NHS number can take over 4 weeks to come through to us, once we notify PCSE. Once we receive your new NHS number, we will create a new registration for you at the practice and will aim to merge your old records to your new records in a timely manner.  You should be informed of your new NHS number by PCSE. If you do not receive this, please contact us and we can give it to you. You may need to inform any hospitals you are under of your new NHS number so they can update your records.

PCSE Gender Reassignment form:

[Adoption and Gender Reassignment Processes](https://pcse.england.nhs.uk/help/registrations/adoption-and-gender-re-assignment-processes/) 25/10/2023

You can apply for a Gender Recognition Certificate here: [Apply for a Gender Recognition Certificate: Overview - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://www.gov.uk/apply-gender-recognition-certificate)

**Screening**

We as a practice will ensure you get called in for your screening opportunities as long as you stay registered with us, but we do need to know your assigned gender at birth to ensure you get called in at the right time.

Click on each link below for further information about screening:

[NHS screening Guidance for Trans Patients](https://www.amershamvale.co.uk/media/content/files/NHS%20Screening%20Guidance%20for%20trans%20patients.pdf)

[Information for trans and non-binary people](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nhs-population-screening-information-for-transgender-people/nhs-population-screening-information-for-trans-people)

[I’m trans or non-binary, does this affect my cancer screening?](https://www.cancerresearchuk.org/about-cancer/screening/trans-and-non-binary-cancer-screening)